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The Editor's Page

About Classifications

Do you like cats, or are dogs your dish? Perhaps neither appeal to you.

If you are a big-hearted individual with a great love for the entire animal kingdom, you are a sterling character indeed. Chances are, however, you like dogs and hate cats, or vice versa. Our likes and dislikes have their roots in the dim past, so the psychiatrists tell us. Probably, at the age of three, you lovingly strangled the neighbor's pet tom, and had your affectionate caress repaid with deep red gashes. Today, you abhor cats without thinking much about the "why." For the moment, we'll assume you are not allergic to kitty fur.

The next time you are greeted by distrust and discourtesy in dealing with a hearing person, spare a thought for cats and dogs. A thoughtless or inconsiderate deaf man or woman probably preceded you; this accounts for the cool greeting accorded you in your turn. This is especially true of personnel officers and others responsible for hiring workers. Their reaction is essentially the same as your reaction to cats. Your line of subconscious thought runs. "A cat scratched me; therefore, all cats are bad." Theirs runs, "A deaf applicant was unfair to us; therefore, all deaf are bad bets." Not much difference, is

It has often been said that each deaf man and woman is an ambassador to the hearing world in his own right. This collection of words means only that each of us must conduct himself in such a manner as to reflect credit upon all the deaf. This fatal habit of classification is a human failing; we are all subject to it. It is only natural for hearing people to assume all deaf are uncouth, dishonest or inefficient on the strength of a single encounter with one deaf person. We assume the unreliability of cats on the strength of one encounter with a scratching kitten. It is up to us to leave a pleasant impression upon those with whom we have dealings.

Uncouth, inefficient and dishonest deaf persons will continue to make their unfortunate marks; there will always be a few who are bad neighbors, poor employment risks, negligent parents and genuine criminals. Our strongest weapon to combat this souring of the public attitude is our own conduct. Each of us is an ambassador; let us remember cats and dogs when tempted to act in such a way as to leave a bad impression.

The Oral Fallacy

In all the wrangling between pro-oral and pro-combined-system protagonists, one point appears to have been completely overlooked.

The basic desire of the oral method educators is to give the deaf child an appearance of normalcy. He is, ideally, presumed to be restored to normal society, meaning the society of hearing persons, upon completion of his education

The child who has attended a state residential school, or another school emploving the combined system of education, will probably pick up a fair or good knowledge of the sign language as generally used among the American deaf. The use of this language is supposed to cut him off from normal society. At any rate, the language is frequently maligned in "scare" publicity designed to dissuade parents from en-rolling their deaf children in residential schools and direct them to oral day schools. It is termed unnatural, and has even been called "grotesque" in publicity releases from a famed pre-school training center employing the oral method exclusively.

We have observed the sequel to the training course at this center. Children residing in the same general area as the training center are enrolled in an oral day school upon completion of the preschool course. Usually, they remain with several of their little friends from the pre-school classes. All of them are deaf, or have such severe impairment of hearing that they cannot enter classes in the regular public schools. From the elementary grades at the oral day school, they move on to special classes for the deaf in high schools.

In the long run, upon attaining adulthood we cannot see that the orally trained students move in more "normal" society than those educated in residential schools. Regardless of education, these children are deaf; they gravitate naturally to association with others similarly handicapped. In both educational groups, normally hearing friends enter the picture; the percentage appears to be fairly even.

Those educated by means of the combined method are frequently fine lipreaders, and speak as clearly as the orally trained; the sign language is simply another language to them, much as German or French would be. The oftrepeated statement, "The poor people who make grotesque, silent gestures as they walk along the street are not really

dumb; they simply have not been taught to speak," is a great joke among the deaf themselves. More often than not, were the passerby to stop one of these "poor people" and inquire, he would find that the "untaught" individual could speak and could read lips. The fact that not all of them can speak and read lips with equal facility is seldom a reflection upon educational systems. When the day comes that every man on the street is an Ezio Pinza, and every woman a coloratura soprano-then, and not before, will every deaf child endowed with the natural talent which enables him to completely master the arts of speech and lip-reading. And arts

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BEATING THE BLIZZARDS

An Alaska Pioneer

By John A. DeLance

The lure of little-known places Still calls as it called to our sires; The longing for wide-open spaces, The perfume of evening camp-fires.

A gale was shrieking over the apparently boundless tundra, whipping the new-fallen snow into a whining maelstrom of abrasive particles. They beat against the man's parka like leaden pellets and raised every hair of the thick coats of the straining Huskies.

The man relinquished his hold on the sled's Gee-Pole and strode forward into the teeth of the storm toward his dogs, speaking kindly to them as he passed the pairs in their traces. When he came to the lead-dog, he knelt down in the snow and spoke to the Husky. The dog responded with a whimper and a violent wagging of its bushy tail. Man and beast had been battling the elements for nigh on twelve solid hours, and they understood one another. To give up the fight now would mean the end. If they stopped too long, the fiftydegree-below-zero wind would soon numb them into blissful unconsciousness-and death. The savage wolverines which had been stalking them all the day at a respectful distance would close

tic blizzard was, is and never will be a task for an ordinary man. It requires muscle and know-how; the heart of a

and the courage of a gladiator. One must learn to breathe through the wolverine fur that surrounds the opening in the parka-hood. This is no easy task. To breathe the bitter cold air directly into the lungs might result in frostbite on the lungs, which in turn might lead to tuberculosis, a disease common among the Eskimos.

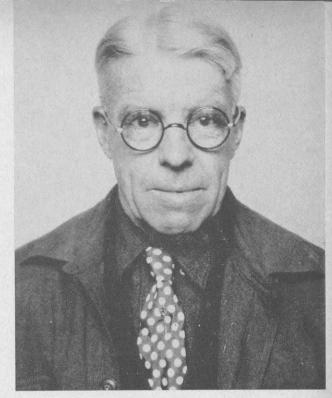
Breaking trail ahead of the leaddog, the man plodded steadily forward into the face of the storm. The dogs followed, straining at their traces and drawing the heavily-laden sled.

The man glimpsed a gleam of yellow light through the storm and darkness, as though the door of a lighted cabin had suddenly opened and closed. He wondered if the sudden flash of light he has just seen was real or the workings of his imagination. He had no idea where he was or how far from his destination, for he had been travelling in a storm all that day. He only knew that he was headed sea-ward; the pellets of snow and ice could come from only one direction—the sea.

All through the nightless summer days, since mid-May when the waters had started to run, he had worked his gold claim up in the Howard mountains. It was now September. His face was tanned a yellowish hue from the burning daylight, a peculiar tan of the Arctic regions. His physical condition was as resilient as a fiddle-string from



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F. D. Sheldon in 1943.

the simple but wholesome fare of bacon and beans, game and sourdough pan-

Now, at the onslaught of winter, he was returning to his home at Nome. There he expected to take life easy through the long winter months. Hidden among his bedding, securely lashed to the sled, were forty-two moosehide pokes of virgin gold, the fruits of his long hours of toil and loneliness. Translating this into more understandable monetary English, it represented approximately 42,850 silver U. S. dollars.

Suddenly, Siwash, the lead - dog caught the scent of human habitation and let up a melancholy howl of salutation. As if in answer to the dog's howl, half a dozen pin-points of light showed through the darkness. The man knew he had finally reached his desti-

In all probability, this journey was made before a large majority of the readers of The Silent Worker were

The year was 1904; the place, Nome, Alaska; the man, Franklyn Dudley Sheldon, world traveller and adventurer, deaf sourdough and scion of the famed Lorillard tobacco family.

F. D. Sheldon was born on his grandfather Lorillard's farm, which is now a part of Bronx Park, New York City. The year of his birth was around 1871. He lost his hearing while still a small boy and was enrolled at the Lexington School for the Deaf in New

Capt. Roald Amundsen (with flower in buttonhole), Sheldon (with gloves) on dock at Nome awaiting first boat of season, 1920.



King crab fishing through the ice is a favorite winter sport around Nome. Mrs. Sheldon is the one farthest to the right.

York City. The late great Samuel Frankenheim, who held N.A.D. Life-Membership Certificate No. 80, was one of his school-mates.

After completing school, Sheldon studied pharmacy. He obtained a degree and a license to practice the profession in New York State.

One would think that with his talent and background he would be content to settle down to a conventional life, perhaps pursuing a well-paved career in the family tobacco business.

But this was not his idea of living. From early childhood, his feet itched to go places and his mind was always trying to conceive what was just be-

John A. DeLance

attended the North Dakota School for the Deaf. Married and the father of two grown boys, he resides at Mundelein, Illinois, where he is in the decorating business. During World War II, he spent three years with the armed forces



in the Pacific Theatre, and was based at Nome in 1943-44. There he met the subject of this story. As the story was written mainly from memory, an inaccuracy or two may have crept in. We hope readers will accept it as it is, and enjoy it. It is a good yarn!

yond the horizon. After a brief session of conventionality, he set out to see the world, against the wishes of his family.

For a time he lived in the West Indies, earning his living at the pharmaceutical profession. Later, he wandered to Australia, the South Sea Islands, New Zealand and other points.

In 1900 the news of the big gold strike at Nome burst upon the world. Tales were spun of gold "from the grass-roots down" and nuggets as big as hen's eggs lying on Nome Beach. Sheldon, who was then in California, promptly headed for that hot-spot on the westernmost tip of North America. In all likelihood, he was more interested in the adventure before him than in the prospect of sudden golden wealth.

Nome in those days was a rip-roaring mining town. Unscrupulous navigation companies, intent on reaping their own golden harvest, had overstated the facts in order to boom their transportation business. Men were packed like sardines into unseaworthy old tubs and unloaded onto the beach at Nome, more dead than alive from scurvy, malnutrition and disease. Fully seventy-five percent of them were unfitted for the rigorous climate. Many died enroute to Nome. Many more died after reaching their destination. Finally, the United States government forced the navigation companies to return thousands to the States.

Even with allowance for those who did not do any actual gold-mining, there were more men there than claimsites. And such a motley crowd. This meant only one thing—the survival of the fittest.

Sheldon found his way around among the teeming thousands of rough-necks, gamblers and miners. He managed to forge ahead and settle there, where he made his home for almost half a century. This proves the mettle of he man.

Of medium height and weighing in the neighborhood of a hundred and fifty pounds, his physical features were deceptive in that they might lead one to consider him a weakling. The truth was, he had more strength and stamina than the average larger man.

When the writer met Sheldon at Nome in 1943, the latter, then about 72 years old, was in splendid physical condition for his age. A slight stoop of the shoulders was about all that told of his years in the Arctic.

During the early days of Nome, Sheldon met and mingled with men who later became world-famous. The late "Tex" Rickard, fight promoter extraordinary, was one. Rickard ran the Northern saloon and gambling place at Nome. It was still running when the writer was based there in 1943-44, although under a different management since Rickard had left Nome in 1901. Then there were the famed writers, Rex Beach and Jack London. Probably the greatest Alaskan character of them all was "Klondike" Mike Mahoney, whose Alaskan odyssey is known to all and who now is spending the declining years of his life within hailing distance of the editorial offices of this magazine.

Sheldon remembered in particular one lively little boy whose father operated a black-smith shop for a number of years up there. This lad was always up to some prank or other. If he was not jumping off a roof, he was doing something equally dangerous. Later, when his family moved back to the States, the boy took up flying. In fact, he became a "flying fool." His experiments with planes and aerodynamics are well-known to us now. We know him today as Major-General James H. Doolittle (retired). Among a great many other things, he led the "Thirty Minutes Over Tokyo" raid in the recent

During his early days at Nome, the urge to travel was still strong within Sheldon. He usually managed to catch the last boat for the "outside" in the fall. One year he went to Australia where he was induced to invest his fortune in a sheep-ranch. The venture proved unfortunate, and Sheldon had to hire money to return to Nome.

When he had recouped his loss, he established a drug store on the sea-side of Front Street, Nome's solitary surviving business thoroughfare. It was at this store, in 1943, that I met the quiet

little man. I found him to be an excellent signmaker, despite years without contact with intelligent deaf persons. He talked in an intelligent, dignified manner. His conversation was interesting and instructive.

Until a few years before I met him, he had played a leading role in the affairs of the town. Only his advanced years had compelled him to relinquish many of his activities.

When Capt. Roald Amundsen, the famous explorer and discoverer of the South Pole, landed in nearby Teller after a flight over the North Pole in the dirigible "Norge" in 1920, it was Sheldon who was his host while Amundsen waited at Nome for a boat to take him back to the States. Not having proper "dress" clothing with him, Amundsen raided Sheldon's wardrobe. This accounts for the tight-fitting suit he wears in the accompanying photograph.

Sheldon also played host to Will Rogers and Wiley Post while they were at Nome on their ill-fated 'round the world jaunt. They crashed and were killed at Point Hope, Alaska, up near Point Barrow, the day after they left Nome.

In the Twenties, when a diphtheria epidemic struck the town and people began dying in bunches, Sheldon and his drug store played an unassuming but important role in curbing the disease. When the whole North American continent held its breath while world-famous dog-team drivers were relaying valuable serum over the frozen wastes towards Nome, Sheldon was quietly working to help prepare and administer the serum to the stricken people.

Sheldon was married to a New York lady during his early years. This union proved unfortunate and was dissolved years later. He then married the daugh-



Above, F. D. Sheldon, Jr., with dog and sled, a scene about as common in Nome as bicycles in the United States

ter of a prominent Eskimo family at Nome, taking his bride on a honeymoon to the island of Tahiti. Three children were born to this union, the eldest of whom was a bright, goodlooking boy of about twelve in 1943.

Their home was a log-cabin in the residential district, a couple of doors north of the home of famed Chief of Police Yenney. One would perhaps expect a man with such a degree of success to have a home made of something better than logs. Brick, for instance.

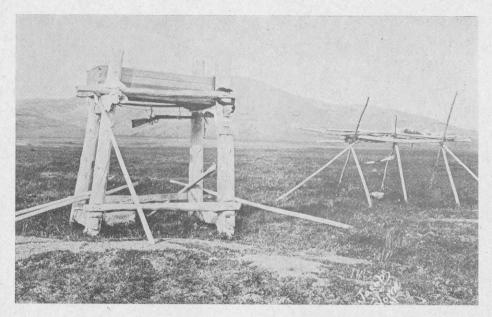
Brick houses are not suitable in that climate, where the ground is perpetually frozen except for a few inches of top-soil in summer. Heavy frosts would play havoc with brick or concrete.

Most of the houses are built of lumber which has to be shipped up from southeastern Alaska, an expensive undertaking. No trees are able to grow in the few inches of top-soil around that district. Naturally, a man who owns a house of logs which had to be transported hundreds of miles is looked up to in that community.

Mrs. Sheldon, who is much younger than Sheldon, was a rather pretty woman. An excellent housekeeper, she sewed most of the family clothing, including squirrel-skin coats or parkas.

I once asked Sheldon if he ever got lonesome up there and desired to return to his native New York. He replied that he wanted to visit on the "Outside" once more before he died, but that he loved Nome and preferred to live and die there. "After all," he told me, "there's no place like Nome."

A name, prestige and family,
A career on the great "Outside,"
But he heeded the call of Alaska,
And left them—unsatisfied.
Scorning the letters of recalling;
Forgetting the friends he had known,
Turning his back on the "Outside"
And facing the future alone.
A cabin, a wife, and a fishreel,
At a bend where the river flows,
And a life of high adventure,
He stayed there—a SOURDOUGH.



Alaska is a cold land. Even in summer, it is possible to dig only a few inches below the surface of the ground. The Eskimo graves illustrated at left are a practical people's answer to this problem. The tall stilts prevent wild animals from damaging the bodies. The firearms hung below ostensibly accompany the the deceased hunters to the Happy Hunting Grounds.



Dr. Elizabeth Peet, congratulates two students graduating from Gallaudet College.—Photo by courtesy of Washington Star

ALL IN A LIFETIME—THE SAGA OF A GREAT LADY

VIRGINIA MAY WARD, B.S.

(Read at the Commencement Exercises at Gallaudet College, May 27, 1950)

FRANKLY, THIS IS A TRIBUTE to a person—a great lady, the likes of whom we rarely find. She has been with us for fifty years, and is now leaving for a well-earned rest. The lady is Dr. Elizabeth Peet. There is no doubt in anyone's mind, Dr. Elizabeth Peet is one of the most outstanding educators of the deaf in the country today. It is her heritage, for she comes of a line of distinguished educators of the deaf.

Dr. Elizabeth Peet, our distinguished dean of women, was born in New York City on March 26, 1874, near the New York Institution for the Deaf, for many years known as Fanwood. Her father, Isaac Lewis Peet, one of the famous pioneers in the education of the deaf, was principal of the Institution at that time. Her mother, Mary Toles Peet, was a deaf lady, a refined poetess, a woman of great charm and gracious conversation, traits that, too, became marked in her daughter. Her grandfather, Harvey Prindle Peet, was

Miss Virginia May Ward is a graduate of The Arkansas School for the Deaf. She was on the Honor Roll for the five years she was in Gallaudet College. Upon graduation in 1950 she received the Charles W. Ely Award for Excellence in Studies. This prize is given to the ranking woman student of the graduating class. Miss Ward has accepted a position on the faculty of The Kentucky School for the Deaf in Danville for 1950-1951. Miss Ward's home is in Mountain View, Arkansas.

also one of the great educators of the deaf; he was principal of the New York Institution before her father, Isaac Lewis Peet, took over.

Dr. Peet grew up on the grounds of Washington Heights near the Institution, in New York City. The only daughter in the family, she was constantly with her parents from her earliest years to their death. There was an exceptionally affectionate bond between her and her deaf mother. She was often asked to interpret for her mother at different gatherings, and she did this faithfully. To this her mother showed her heart-felt appreciation in her own poem, "Sonnet to Elizabeth." A few lines from this poem, describing her daughter as a little angel in her mother's life, following herewith, reveal something of this love:

"When blackest clouds were round me great with grief,

And sorrowing silence held me by the hand,

A power I strove in vain to understand

Swept me along like some poor withered leaf,

Alone o'er endless miles of shuddering sand,

Afar from glowing gardens of green land.

Then looking upward through a brightness brief,

I saw thee, dearest, of my blessings chief,

Half child, half woman, reaching for my hand."

Like her two older brothers, Dr. Peet was sent to private schools in New York City. She also received private tutoring from her beloved father. She began the study of Latin at eight years of age, outside of school, with her father as the tutor, and it was due entirely to his inspiring teaching that she became interested in studying languages as her special subjects.

At the age of sixteen, Dr. Peet passed the entrance examinations to Harvard University. At that time if a woman received an entrance certificate from Harvard, any woman's college would welcome her. Bryn Mawr and Vassar were in her mind all along when she nobly decided to give up going to college in order to be with her father in the days of his retirement.

Then the first break in the happy family came when her father passed away on December 27, 1898. Two sorrowing years later her mother joined her father.

It was Dr. Edward Allen Fay, beloved vice-president of Gallaudet College, who suggested her name to the Principal of the Rhode Island School for the Deaf as a teacher-in-training. There she taught for a year, gaining classroom experience. In the spring of 1900, once again a Gallaudet called on a Peet for help. Dr. Edward M. Gallaudet, the first president of Gallaudet College, offered her an appointment to the staff of Gallaudet College.

So to Kendall Green came Dr. Elizabeth Peet, in the fall of 1900—fresh and young, and without a college degree! She was the first, and for a long time, the only woman with a seat at the Faculty meetings. For almost thirty

years she was active as Dean of Women in Gallaudet College. In the fifty years that she was active here, she has taught English, Latin, French, Spanish and other subjects. Her fame is great also as instructor for many years in the Normal Training Department in the Language of Signs. She moreover has been and is an outstanding authority on the language of signs.

While teaching, she took time to study at The George Washington University, where she received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1918. For her B.A. thesis, she wrote about the interesting origin of the Language of Signs, and this thesis won the first place in the annual oratorical contest at that university. In 1922 Gallaudet College conferred upon her the honorary degree of Master of Arts. In 1937 she received the honorary degree of Doctor of Pedagogy from The George Washington University. Again, this great lady was the first woman to be honored with a place upon the executive committee of the Convention of American Instructors of the Deaf. She has written numerous interesting articles for school papers over the United States, and also for the American Annals of the Deaf. She belongs to many important societies in Washington.

Recently, she was elected Dean of the Midcentury at Atlantic City by the National Association of Deans of Women. In being thus honored, Gallaudet College—the scene of her greatest labors-was honored too. In fact, in her fifty years here she has brought many great honors to our Greater Gallaudet. To us, the student body, she, besides a strict teacher in the Romance Languages, has been a mother, a nurse, and a kindly guidance counselor. Somehow, she will always be best remembered as "Kendall Green Mother," deserving a well-earned rest from the swirling activities of the campus. Dr. Elizabeth Peet—we bid our dearest farewell to you, our dearest friend!



Above is Miss Peet in 1925, midpoint in her career, and, below, as she looks today. Lower Photo by Washington Star.



Dean Elizabeth Peet, Ped. D., Dean of Women and Professor of Romance Languages at Gallaudet College, was awarded the Honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters at the 86th Commencement Exercises, Saturday, May 27th

The Gallaudet faculty in 1901, when Miss Peet was a newcomer. L. to R., front row: Prof. Draper, Prof. Chickering, Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, Dr. E. A. Fay, Miss Peet. Rear row: Prof. Allen Fay, Prof. Percival Hall, Prof. Ely, Prof. Day.

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Western Firm Lauds Deaf Employees

C LOWING TRIBUTE WAS PAID to a group of deaf workmen employed at the Nordstrom Valve Division of the Rockwell Manufacturing Company, Oakland, California, in a recent number of *The Open Valve*, a monthly publication issued by the firm.

In an article entitled, "Deaf Mutes Are Capable Craftsmen," the magazine praised the work and the safety record of the eleven deaf men employed at the plant. "These men . . . were selectively hired because of their capabilities; their foremen say they are 'adaptable, productive, loyal, careful, steady!" says the article in the magazine.

The history of how these men became valued employees of the valve firm is described as follows in the magazine:

"Perhaps the secret of their success can be traced back to "Virgie" Taylor, who first introduced his son, Arlie, to the Nordstrom plant.

Arlie was attending the California School for the Deaf, and during the summer vacation his dad requested work for him at Nordstrom. He was placed in the warehouse where he rechased threads on lube screws; then he was advanced to the shop where he filed equalizers, using the Rockwell Hardness Testing machine. The third summer, after he had graduated from school, Arlie came to work permanently.

"Following Arlie, his friends, Larry Silveira and Alfred Herold, entered the plant, and during the war more deaf workmen were recruited because they had proved they could learn the work, that they were careful and capable. As new men were hired, in the words of 'Virgie,' it became a 'fight between Hoff (machine foreman) and me as to who would get the men.'

"Originally several of the men started in the Inspection Department, but many of them have gone into machine work as supervision realized their potentialities and lost the skepticism of danger of injuries to a man who could not hear."

In the pictures at the left of this lay-out, Arlie Taylor is at the top. He is operating a three-foot radial drill press. Arlie, a graduate of the California School for the Deaf, is married to the former Shirley Rosenwirth, and father of three daughters, whom Arlie says are his chief hobby. Arlie was a crack athlete at school, but he now confines his athletic endeavors mostly to bowling, being a high-scoring member of the East Bay Club for the Deaf team.

Reading down the page, the next picture shows Dominick Ponsetti, at left, and Glen Kearney. Dominick works on the assembly of large valves, while Glen is a filer and grinder. Like Arlie Taylor, these boys are graduates of the California School, and both former athletes. Dominick has for several years been one of the leading lights in the East Bay club at Oakland. He was







an all-star football and baseball player at school, while Glen was an All-American basketeer. Dominick coached the Oakland Club basketball teams for some time, until he moved to a night shift at the plant and had to abandon such activities. Glen derives his recreation now mostly from hunting, and he is a crack shot with a shotgun or rifle. The walls of the Oakland club are adorned with mounted deer Glen has brought down in the field.

To the right of Kearney is Clarence Franks, and opposite him on the other side of the layout is Larry Silveira. These boys operate second class milling machines. Clarence is married and has a college-age son. His hobby is basketball, and he has served as secretary of the Oakland Sports Club. Larry, another product of the California School, is married to the former Virginia Jones, and two daughters grace

their home. His hobby is photography. Larry is a former president of the East Bay chapter of the California Association of the Deaf.

The bottom picture at the left shows Frank Medler and Paul Senkbeil. Frank is a native of Oklahoma. He is married and has four sons. He is an ardent baseball fan and his pals report him a shark at card games. Paul, a native of Canada, received his education in the Minnesota School and has been in California for several years. He is married and a red-hot sports enthusiast. For some time he has been coach of the Oakland club basketball teams.

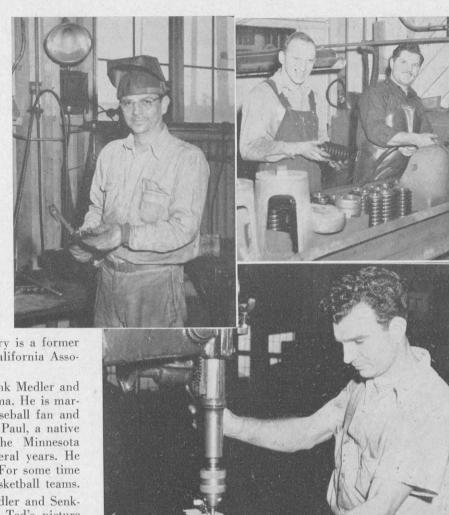
Another deaf employee working with Medler and Senkbeil is Ted Ruffa, another California boy. Ted's picture was not available, but any of our readers interested in research will find him on the cover of our May, 1949, cover, in the basketball spangles of the Oakland Silents. Ted is married to the former Edith Barker, from Kansas. A veteran basketball star, Ted was named on the all-star team at the last Far West tournament.

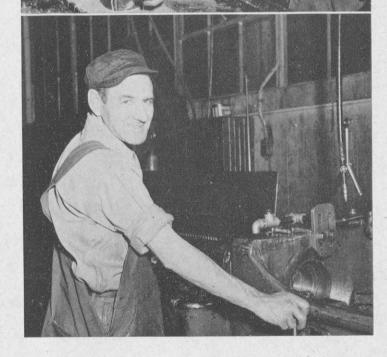
Alfred Herold and Angelo Skropeta are checking plugs at the top photo to the right. They also do some layout work for hardness testing. Alfred is single and whiles away his idle time at his hobbies of photography and stamp collecting. Angelo is married to a former Kansas and Oregon lady who was recently pictured in The Silent Worker as runner-up in a queen contest at her place of employment in San Francisco. Angelo, another graduate of the California School, was another former star on the Oakland Silents basketball team.

The left photograph at the top shows Jesse Rodriguez, a welder. Jesse is married and devotes most of his time to his home life. He was a former storekeeper at the Oakland Club.

Clarence Aycock is operating a pull broach in the bottom photo at the right. He is married and has two children. He came to California from Oklahoma and has been financial agent for the Oakland Club for some years.

THE SILENT WORKER will be glad to receive more articles like this on deaf men and women at work. Readers will recall that some time ago we ran a "picture-story" of employees at the Firestone plant in Akron. We hope in the near future to present a similar account of deaf workmen in a plant in the East.





Educational Front and Parents' Department

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COMMITTEE FINDINGS AT REHABILITATION MEETING

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DURING THE RECENT MEETING of the Special Workers in Vocational Rehabilitation for the Aural Disabled, described in a recent issue of the SILENT WORKER, a large contribution to the work of the meeting was made by the



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attending the meeting with a recognized specialist in the problem field as consultant. Their

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purpose was that of setting up standards and guides for rehabilitation workers in the field who are constantly faced with problems arising while working with this special group of clients.

All committees felt the need for increased investigation in their fields and more definite recommendations that would come out of more exact investigation. However, their reports reflected careful thought.

The Committee on Special Casework and Counseling Procedures for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing based its recommendations upon the feeling that the basic factor to be considered in counseling the hard of hearing was that of communication. The techniques and procedures are not different from those used for other persons. Establishment of a proper feeling of cooperation and understanding is essential in counseling and giving assistance. This can come only when there is free and easy communication. For the hard of hearing there are several avenues of approach in achieving communication. First there is the use of desk type amplifiers that will enable the client to hear as well as is possible for him to do so and will permit the counselor to talk in an ordinary tone of voice. Lip reading is another means when the client is able to do a good enough job to really understand the counselor. Finally, writing out the entire conversation is recommended for fullest understanding when the first two methods are not sufficient. For the deaf, in addition to lip reading when feasible, and writing, there is the sign language. One of these methods of communication will enable the counselor to communicate with any deaf applicant or client. In addition to the standards mentioned the committee recommended that each state have at least one staff member proficient in the use of the sign language.

In the field of Speech Correction the group assigned to this problem felt that while speech correction should be given all cases where there is a speech difficulty the person should be examined by a qualified speech teacher whenever available. The length and extent of training will depend upon the individual case. However, in the case of those deafened before the establishment of speech patterns it was felt that the training would run into prohibitive time and expense, and so much train-

ing was not recommended.

Use of the expanding number of hearing centers where hearing aid evaluation service is available was recommended by the group concerned with this phase of services to the hard of hearing. Such service is strongly recommended for those who have a severe loss or who have developed a personality maladjustment because of a hearing loss. For mild losses and those who have successfully used an aid in the past, commercial fitting was adjudged sufficient to gain a good fitting instrument. Where the services of a qualified clinic for trial use of hearing aids does not exist the client should try at least two different hearing aids with advice from the counselor as to what he can expect from a hearing aid. The client should then be sent back to the examining otologist for a re-examination with the aid in use for his opinion on the adequacy of the aid.

The Psychological Services committee, realizing the fact that the tests and test standards that have been made up for normal people are not exactly valid when used with the deaf and the extremely hard of hearing who have had their hearing impairment for a number of years, attempted to organize a working approach to the problem.

Lip reading ability, a recognized aid in daily communication pertaining to employment, was the topic of consideration by the workshop committee on this subject. Their recommendation was that such training be made available for all clients with sufficient loss of hearing to be eligible for rehabilitation services. Exception should be made in the case of persons who have had sufficient previous training, who do not need it on the job objective for which they are being trained, or when the client does not want the training. Persons with usable hearing with or without a hearing aid, and who need to learn or relearn speech sounds and their understanding should be provided with auditory training. The presence of some usable hearing is always a prerequisite for such training. Cases of defective speech resulting from impaired hearing are often able to profit from auditory training and this service should be provided.

These committee recommendations and suggestions are to be included in a summary of the entire meeting and made available for all rehabilitation personnel who have any contact with

aural cases.

The recommendation was made that certain qualified psychologists in each state be given information and help in understanding the giving and interpretation of tests given to people with hearing impairments. Also, a generalized kit of tests that could be given the deaf with an expectation of fairly valid results was outlined. In order to build up additional information on the reliability of these tests and in order that in time a set of norms or standards might be compiled, a check list of tests was recommended. Results obtained by the counselors using these tests are to be sent in to Dr. Salvatore G. DiMichael, Consultant, Psychological Services, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, Federal Security Agency, Washington 25, D.C. In response to requests from the entire group present at the meeting for some criteria or guides for use in interpreting psychological test scores obtained from testing aurally handicapped persons, a group of suggestions was made.

Alabama School To Teach Driving

According to an item in the Talladega News, published at Talladega, Alabama, the Alabama School for the Deaf next vear will inaugurate a course in driver education, said to be the first course of its kind in the South. During the spring two members of the school faculty took a course in driver education offered by the University of Alabama. They were A. L. Palmer and Moran O. Colburn, the latter of whom is deaf. Palmer is director of physical education at the school. The two will teach the course.

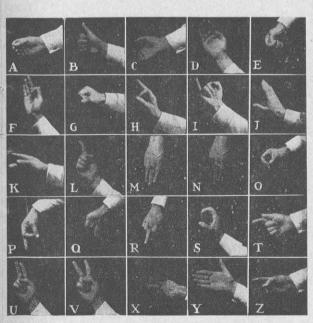
A dual-control car has been obtained by Dr. John E. Bryan, superintendent of the school, for use in instructing pupils. Dr. Bryan is said to be one of the pioneers in driver education, starting such courses in the public schools while he was a county superintendent of

"When a deaf child masters driving, he will be a better driver than the average person," Palmer said. "Once he learns, he will never forget.'

Colburn, who has been driving for about ten years, turned out to be one of the best drivers among 36 high school teachers taking the course at the university.

While the two instructors were at the university, Palmer interpreted the instruction to Colburn by means of the sign language and made notes for both to use. They will teach driving to both boys and girls at the Alabama School, but the work will start with the boys.

It is not definite as to which school for the deaf first installed a course in automobile driving, but indications are that it will be but a short time until all schools have such courses, thus helping the deaf maintain their reputation as the best automobile drivers on the road.



Lange Surveys the Foreign Scene

PAUL LANGE Foreign News Editor

Two magazines for the deaf are being published in Sweden, bearing evidence of the prosperity of the deaf of that country. One, Dövas Tidskrift (Deaf Times) is the official organ of the Swedish National Association for the Deaf, and is edited by Hugo Edenas of Borlaeng, Sweden. The other, Dövas Värld, is edited by Oscar Glans, Mjölby, assisted by F. Manson, Stockholm, E. Gustafson, Angelholm, Finland, Carl-Erik Martola, Vasa, Finland and Karl Lundkvist, Narvik, Norway. Both are well edited and contain translations of articles from various American. European and Australian publications.

Some time ago, the deaf of Sweden held a hobby show of their handiwork at the Central Hotel in Mjölby, Karlstrona, Hedemora and Umea were on display.

A Belgian deaf shoemaker, Desire Schroven, was awarded the highest honors in competition with 32 hearing men for the title Master Shoemaker. A test is required of all men wishing to qualify as instructors of that trade in Belgium.

Brother Daniel, a teacher at the Catholic School for the Deaf at Gent, Belgium, has spent nine months as an exchange teacher at the Catholic School for the Deaf in Montreal, Canada.

The following statistics appeared in Deaf Notes from Adelaide, Australia: Schools for the Deaf-549 in Europe, 323 in North America, 21 in South America, 131 in Asia, 10 in Africa, 12 in Australia and New Zealand.

Leading Australian swimming coaches have their eyes on a deaf teen-ager. Ron Small, of Victoria, is described in the Adelaide News as possessing the best leg action of any Victoria Y.M.C.A. swimmers, good flotation, and being extraordinarily loose-jointed. He had already broken several Victorian records for his age, at 13. The Victorian Amateur Association, realizing his possibilities, has included him on the panel of swimmers to train for the champion-

The grand chief of Ruandi, a tribe in Belgian South Africa, has a deaf son who has been visiting in Europe.

The contrast between the American one-handed manual alphabet and those employed by the deaf of other countries

The signs are called a universal language, but the manual alphabet differs in different nations. At left is the Swedish alphabet.



The English Two-hand alphabet

is interesting. The Irish alphabet varies from ours in that seven letters (g, h, l, p, q and t) are shaped differently. The deaf of the Scandinavian countries use an alphabet which has only six letters in common with ours (i, m, n, o, u and v.) The English alphabet is similar to the two-handed alphabet used in America by Boy Scouts, with the exception that the vowels a, e, i, o and u are not formed. They are indicated by pointing to one of the five fingers on the left hand, each one of which represents one of the vowels. This double-hand alphabet is employed throughout the British Empire.

As the letters of our alphabet seem to be easier to form and more intelligible than the others, the adoption of this as a universal alphabet might be a good idea. (Undoubtedly, however, each other country considers its own alphabet "easier to form and more intelligible than the other!"—Ed.)

It is interesting to know that an association of former pupils of the Swiss schools for the deaf is publishing a paper Le Messager, at Lausanne, Switzerland. Its editor, Mlle. Jeanne Kunkler, attended the international Olympic games for the deaf at Copenhagen, Denmark, last summer.

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Report From Committee On Increasing Endowment Fund

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An increase of \$4072.20 over last month and \$17,924.11 in the one-year period . . . between the 1949 Cleveland convention and now! Also the life membership roll has gone up by 378. And we have only started!

The following (from proceeds, life memberships, contributions, pledges, etc.) have helped swell the E.F. considerables.

Milwaukee N.A.D. Rally \$902.17 Chicago Trip—March 5 \$60.00 Eastern Trip—April 497.00 Fort Worth N.A.D. Rally 130.00 Los Angeles N.A.D. Rally 372.20 Gallaudet Alumni Reunion 1380.00 Michigan Assn. of the

It is very heartening to see how the Deaf are rallying to their own cause . . . it's paving the way for even greater advances. Personal appearances at this 'n that by any one of the members of the N.A.D. Executive Board do help. If any one of you desire one of the N.A.D. men to put in an appearance at your major function, a letter to President Burnes will do the trick.

I attended the Gallaudet College Alumni Association Reunion at Washington, D.C., June 14-18. Weather was ideal . . . the people were surely wonderful to the N.A.D. and me. A resolution was passed—the tendering of G.C.A.A.'s moral support to the N.A.D.

Peikoff and I were guest speakers at the Michigan Association of the Deaf convention held in Lansing, June 16-17. The N.A.D. gained exactly \$1924.00 at the convention. Peikoff's theme was that the State of Michigan was a pacesetter as proven by the fact that the State was the first to volunteer men and arms for the Civil War-the first to develop the automobile industry, etc. So with the \$1924 collected in cash and pledges, Michigan continues its tradition of leadership. The floor show after the banquet opened with Jerald Jordan, a deaf magician. After seeing the show that he put on, the Deaf might do well by hiring him for their shows-he'll go places. Only fault I find with him was that he couldn't produce a \$10,000 bill out of the air for the E.F.! We, Peikoff and I, were treated royally during our stay at Lansing.

Watch for the biggest N.A.D. RAL-LY ever . . . Chicago, OCT. 7, at the LITHUANIAN AUDITORIUM, 3133 S. HALSTEAD STREET , , , chairmanned by John Kelly, who will be ably assisted by Tubergen, Warshawsky, Sullivan, Mrs. (Dries) Fitzgerald, and many others. The main attraction will be a comedy put on by the Toronto Association of the Deaf show troupe. Chicago is out to break all records.

In the mails the other day came a letter from Edwin C. Ritchie of West Reading, Pa. Too good to pass up without quoting this from it:

"Dear Mr. Yolles:

"I am enclosing two checks—one for ourselves (Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Ritchie), the other for Milford D. Luden, both of West Reading, Pa. This probably is your first response from the Keystone State, *Pennsylvania*, AND my conscience is more at ease.

"With my fervent prayers for success, believe me. As ever a sincere friend of the deaf."

Signed: Edwin C. Ritchie

Larry N. Yolles, Chairman, 6111 N. Berkeley Blvd., Milwaukee 11, Wis.

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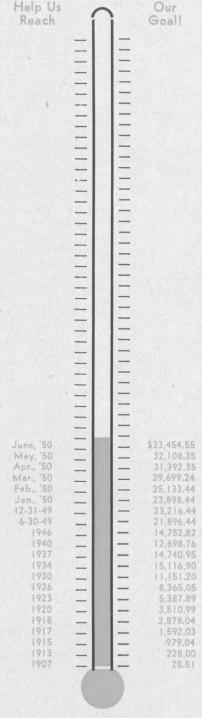
The public relations office now working with the N.A.D. is beginning a campaign to counteract much of the misinformation concerning the deaf which so often appears in the public press. All readers of this magazine are hereby asked to help with this campaign by informing the public relations office as to any statement appearing in any paper or magazine which misrepresents the deaf.

For example, we often see items which confuse the deaf and the hard of hearing; we see articles playing up the so-called wonders of oralism; we frequently read pieces calling down pity upon the deaf, etc., etc.

Anyone seeing such an item or article should clip it and send it with the name and date of the publication which printed it to THE AMERICAN BUREAU OF PUBLIC RELATIONS, 121 WEST WACKER DRIVE, CHICAGO 1, ILLINOIS.

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WESLEY LAURITSEN, Editor

Ministers to the Deaf

The Reverend Howard A. L. Grindon, a hearing man, is pastor of the St. Angus Episcopal Church for the Deaf, in Cleveland, Ohio. He is also pastor of the St. Mary's Episcopal Church, in Cleveland, his congregation



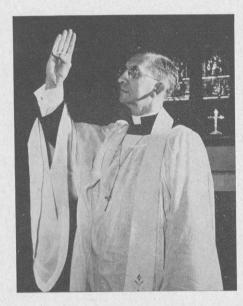
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there being made up entirely of hearing people. Besides his work with the deaf in Cleveland, Pastor Grindon holds 'periodic services for the deaf in Akron. Canton, Barberton, Mansfield, Ashtabula,

Youngston, Toledo, Lima, and Tiffin. Rev. Mr. Grindon became interested in the deaf while he was a seminary student at the Seabury Divinity School in Faribault, Minnesota, twenty-eight years ago. At that time he was introduced to the present editor of the Church Page of THE SILENT WORKER. He expressed a desire to learn the sign language, so it was agreed that the two would hold a weekly rendezvous alternately meeting at the Seabury and the Minnesota School for the Deaf dormitories. Mr. Grindon was an apt student and learned fast. This month we are pleased to have him present the Sermon of the Month to the readers of THE SILENT WORKER. Take time from your fishing to read this ever-new story of fishermen of old.

A recent news story said that the Lutheran Churches do not permit the deaf to become ministers. The Deaf Lutheran has pointed out that this is incorrect, as there are at least three deaf ministers in Lutheran churches and at the Ephphatha Conference in 1949, after a brief discussion by Pastor Beyer, the group went on record as being in favor of encouraging and helping deaf Lutherans to become pas-

In the Christian Deaf Fellowship there are both deaf and hearing workers and we do not believe that the Catholic Church or any other church has rules that would prevent deaf men or women from becoming ministers. There may be difficulty in meeting requirements, but there is nothing to bar qualified deaf workers, and we need them!



REV. H. A. L. GRINDON

Rev. R. W. Mackensen Installed as Pastor

At impressive services on Sunday, May 21, the Rev. Robert W. Mackensen was installed as pastor of the Lutheran deaf of Delavan and surrounding territory. The service was held in the English Lutheran Church in Delavan.

The installation sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. J. L. Salvner, Executive Secretary of the Board of Missions for the Deaf (Missouri Synod).

Rev. Mackensen comes from Missoula. Montana, where he served as pastor for five years. He graduated from Concordia Theological Seminary in 1945. He is married and has two children.

Reverend Flick Retires

On the morning of May 28, just before he was to give his last service. Rev. George F. Flick, of Chicago, collapsed and was taken to a hospital.

Rev. A. G. Leisman, of Milwaukee, took over the Chicago Mission work on June 1. Mr. Leisman had been offered the St. Louis field which lost its pastor, Rev. A. O. Steidmann who received the final summons from above. Mr. Leisman declined the offer and decided to stay in Wisconsin. We understand that with his additional duties in Chicago he will give up his connection with the Wisconsin Service Bureau which he has directed for ten

Sermon of the Month

By REVEREND HOWARD A. L. GRINDON Pastor, St. Angus Episcopal Church, Cleveland Text: But when the day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach. John 21:4

The angel at the tomb had given a message that the disciples were to go into Galilee and await their Lord. On the evening recorded in the 21st chapter of St. John, we find seven of them fishing on a lake. They had returned to their old occupation of fishing while waiting for their Lord. How typical that is of us. We, too, work away at our several vocations and ministries while smouldering in our breasts lies the promise and the hope of the coming of Our Lord to us again.

Our Lord manifested Himself to them just as a new day was breaking. What an invitation it was to leave that rocking, fish-smelling boat, and come to the peaceful shore and dine with Him! God grant that we, too, may someday receive a like invitation to greet Him on the peaceful shores of

eternal life!

The resurrection of Jesus and His various appearances to his disciples after His crucifixion and death is part of the proof of the hope of immortality that the Christian Church offers to

The vast majority of mankind has always taken for granted a life after death. There are many proofs of it in the various processes of nature. The DAY dies into the night and is buried in silence and darkness, only to come to life again in the new day! The SUMMER dies into the winter, is buried beneath its blanket of snow, only to come to life again in the springtime! The GRAIN is cast into the earth, is buried and becomes corrupted, only that it may revive again and multiply! The CATERPILLAR after a seemingly dead existence comes forth as a beautiful butterfly! Nature itself would teach us that there is a life after death!

Immortality seems, moreover, to be a universal hope. We find arrowheads and earthen vessels laid beside the dead Indian. A silver obulus, a small coin, was placed in the mouth of the dead Greek in ancient times to pay his passage money to the ferryman to convey him over the River Styx.

But the greatest knowledge that we have of the life hereafter is contained in the revelation that God has given to us in His Son and in the Holy Scriptures. "I am the resurrection and the life." saith the Lord, "he that believeth in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And he that liveth and believeth in Me shall never die.'

SWinging round the nation

Mrs. Geraldine Fail, News Editor, has acquired the services of two capable assistants. Serving the Eastern States region is:

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MARYLAND ...

Strawberry festivals were among the most popular social affairs of the deaf of Baltimore in their churches during the month of May. The Episcopalians held one in the Parish House of the Church of St. Michael and All Angels on the 17th; the Methodists, at Christ Methodist Church for the Deaf, on the 20th; the Catholics, in the large basement of John the Baptist Church on the 30th. Every one of these socials was a success.

Recently Carl Godfrey, 10, was on his way to choir practice with his twin brother Charles and several other boys when he looked up and saw an 18month-old baby tottering around the steep porch roof of a corner house. He climbed the porch railing, shinnied up the thick corner post, and climbed over the overhanging edge of the roof and up the roof. Grasping the baby, he knocked at the open apartment window overlooking the porch roof until the parents inside awoke and rushed for their child, who was laughing gaily. Carl quietly repeated his risky acrobatics in the opposite direction and walked off with his friends to the church.

The identity of the young rescuer was learned only through a description of him given to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Schorr, the parents of the baby, by neighbors who witnessed his performance. The child apparently had climbed from his crib in his parents' room

At right, seated are Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Pereira, with Mary Toohey in foreground. Standing are Harriet Duning, LeRoy Duning, Albert Bender, and Bessie Kiefer. The occasion was a party given by Helen Healey in honor of the Pereiras, visiting in Cincinnati from Boston.—Grayson photo.

while they were sleeping, pushed out a small screen and clambered onto the roof. Carl, the modest hero, did not see what all the fuss was about. Mrs. Schorr said of him, "He certainly is a wonderful boy—I know we owe our baby's life to him." He said, "I asked some big boys to do something, but they did not know what to do so then I did it."

Carl and Charles are two of the four children of deaf parents, Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey, who hail from North Carolina and Virginia, respectively.

KANSAS . . .

Mrs. Florence Stack, one of the home economics teachers at the Kansas School at Olathe, is spending the summer in Los Angeles and vicinity.

Betty Weber, of Kansas City, Kans., accompanied by a friend from Pennsylvania, went to Dallas, Texas, to visit Betty's sister, Dorothy.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Foltz angled in the Minnesota lakes for a week and are now taking it easy on their farm near Eureka, Kan. Mr. Foltz will be coaching the boys of the Louisiana School this fall.

Wilbur Ruge, the only deaf employee of the Boeing Aircraft plant at Wichita, Kans., attended the Gallaudet College Reunion at Washington, D. C.

Emanuel Goldenberg has returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., to enter laboratory work with his brother. Mr. Goldenberg, the Kansas School instructor of printing, has just completed his first year at the school. Wonder what kind of specimens he will study?

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pugh were feted on their 40th anniversary with an open house. Red flowers decorated the table, on which was centered a huge cake. Sonny Stack, son of the Albert Stacks, of Olathe, Kans., accompanied Uncle Luther Stack on a trip to St. Louis and Sullivan, Mo., where they visited relatives, including the Ernest Stacks.

Kansas has made its appearance again in this column after a long absence. We have Pauline Conwell, 1147 North Emporia, Wichita, Kans., to thank.

NEBRASKA ...

The deaf community of Omaha has been hit hard by the canasta craze. Scores of local deaf have taken it up, and canasta parties have become very popular. Out in Benson, a suburb of Omaha, a canasta club has been organized by the Robert Pettits, John Schenemans, Arthur Claytons, and Dale Padens. The Episcopal Church held a canasta party May 13. The game was also headlined as the main attraction at the Omaha club on May 20.

The Nebraska Association of the Deaf took the limelight Saturday, April 29, with a formal dance staged at the Elks Club Hotel in Omaha. Guests were much entertained during the evening when that veteran songster of the deaf, Harry G. Long, gave forth "Down by the Old Mill Stream" and even performed a tap dance, which is quite amazing at his age. Nebraska's favorite impersonator, Nathan Lahn, added to the merriment with "Coming Through the Rye" and "The Owl and the Pussycat." The committee in charge of the dance were Mrs. Nick Peterson, chairman, and Messrs. Jelinek and Hruza, all members of the NAD ways and means committee.





Pictures don't lie. Above is John Welte with string of catfish caught at Shady Shores Frat picnic June 4. Envious fisherman in background is Hope Porter.—Grayson photo.

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The Omaha club has donated \$25 to the Endowment Fund of the NAD and is sponsoring a new bowling team which should get under way before autumn. A softball team has also been formed. It is hoped this team will play in the city league this summer. Many entertainments for the summer months are planned, according to genial president George Propp. Other officers of the OCD are Nels Nelson, v-pres.; Owen Study, secy.; and Mrs. Dale Paden, treas.

Horky Park, on the banks of the Blue River in Crete, Neb., was the site for the Nebraska Association's July 4 picnic.

For the first time, the NAD plans a convention outside Omaha and Lincoln. The '52 Nebraska convention will take place in Scotts Bluff, which is some 450 miles from Omaha in the extreme western end of the state.

The deaf of Omaha are looking forward to something big over the coming Labor Day weekend. Friends from all over the state are expected to converge on the city when the Omaha Division 32, NFSD, holds a meeting, a smoker, and then a picnic the day after.

Gallaudet alumni residents of Omaha were preparing for the trek to Washington, D. C., for the Alumni Reunion at the college June 14-18. Among those planning to go were Rose Stepan, '32; Mrs. Edith Osmun, '23; and Mrs. Neujahr, '36.

James Jelinek has a new car, a Chevrolet, but he isn't using it until he learns to drive and takes examinations for a license. Automobiles and traffic

regulations have changed a lot since the last time James owned a car, which was away back in the twenties. James is well known and well liked among the deaf of the state, being one of the most enthusiastic workers among Omahans. He serves on almost all committees, and is always up in front at any affair concerning the deaf. We need more like him.

Roy Sparks of Omaha is building a new house, with Riley Anthony hired as contractor. The house, expected to be completed this summer, is an alldeaf labor job with a deaf contractor, a deaf carpenter, a deaf painter. Roy believes in helping his fellows.

News of Nebraska may be sent to Thomas R. Peterson, 3132 N. 59th St., Omaha.

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MISSOURI ...

Donald Hyde spent his recent week's vacation with his brother on the farm near Coffey, Mo.

The annual picnic of the Kansas City Club for the Deaf, Inc., was held May 21 at beautiful Swope Park. It drew a large crowd, consisting of many out-of-town visitors who attended the HACD-Esta Bowling Tournament sponsored by the Heart of America Club of the Deaf on May 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Mario Benedet and Alvin Blake, of Los Angeles, Calif., were in Kansas City for several days on vacation and visited their friends and both clubs. Mr. Benedet and his sister Santina, of Kansas City, drove to Pittsburg, Kans., to visit their family while Mrs. Benedet remained with her brother in Kansas City.

Recent visitors from afar, Mr. and Mrs. Orlin Smith, of Montebello, Calif., were brought to the club by Norman Steele, who became acquainted with them on his numerous trips to the West Coast. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Malm and son Ivan, of Topeka, Kans.; Mr. and Mrs. Max Mossel, of Fulton, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Weber and Mr. and Mrs. L. Moegle, all of St. Louis, Mo.

A surprise birthday party was given Dorothy Hyde June 11, at the home of the Richard Dreilings.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Bock, our newlyweds, returned from a honeymoon in quaint New Orleans, La. Sonny, as Sylvester is known, had the misfortune to be bitten by a crab while swimming in the Gulf of Mexico.

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OF YOUR PRESENCE, in retrospect, at the wedding of Miss Lillian Hahn to Robert A. Skinner, which was solemnized June 25. Almost 200 friends and relatives of the popular young couple witnessed the ceremony, performed at the Adams Chapel, Los Angeles.

The bride's gown was of white imported lace over white satin, ballerina length. Her veil was of illusion net. Mrs. Byron B. Burnes was matron of honor; Miss Blanche Hahn, maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mesdames John Young and Kyle Workman. The four were attired in pastel silk taffeta, also ballerina length, with nylon tulle overdresses. Mrs. John Hahn, mother of the bride, wore grey crepe with grey lace; Mrs. Roger A. Skinner, Sr., mother of the groom, appeared in a gown of rose lace.

Rev. Arnold T. Jonas of the Los Angeles Lutheran Church for the Deaf, officiated. Roger A. Skinner, Jr., was best man. Ushers were Messrs. Saul Brandt, John Young and Roland Mueller.

Floral decorations were all in white, and the central arch behind the altar was flanked by candelabra set with tall white candles.

A reception immediately followed the

At the right, Reverend Jonas conducts the ceremony as guests watch. Below, the wedding party. L. to R., Mrs. Kyle Workman, Mrs. John Young, Mrs Byron B. Burns, matron of honor; Miss Blanche Hahn, maid of honor; the bride and groom; Roger A. Skinner, twin brother of the groom who served as his best man; John Young; Roland Mueller, and Saul Brandt. Reverend Arnold T. Jonas appears in the background.—Richard Hahn photos.

ceremony. After the reception, the bridal couple departed for a lengthy honeymoon. Points visited included Yosemite Park, San Francisco, and Reno, Nevada.

The bride attended the California School for the Deaf at Berkeley, before enrolling at Gallaudet College. She took the Bachelor of Science degree from Gallaudet in 1939. For some time thereafter, she was a teacher of the deaf in Maryland before returning to her native California.

The groom graduated from the Central Institute, St. Louis, Missouri, and from high school in Independence, Mo. He took his B. S. degree in Engineering from Tri-State College in 1945. He is

now affiliated with Northrop Aircraft Corporation, in the Engineering Division.

Many prenuptial courtesies were tendered the bride-to-be in the months preceding the wedding. Chief among these was a bridal shower at the home of Mrs. John Young, in the lovely Windsor Hills section. Wedding presents were on display at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hahn.

Mr. and Mrs. Skinner have both been active leaders in coast deaf circles for many years. Each has taken an active hand in administrative problems of the Los Angeles Club of the Deaf, the Hollywood Silent Recreation Club, and various smaller organizations. The bride was equally active in Maryland affairs before her return to the coast. Their many friends wish them every happiness in their new life together.





AT 55-A NEW CAREER FOR EULA

They say that life begins at 40. But when one takes up a comparatively new and rare vocation among the deaf, even at 55, that is proof that the zest and challenge of life is in one still.

Eula Chaney is a shining example. Overcoming the handicap of deafness and early disappointments, Eula has "put the furrow to the plow." Now, in the twilight of her life, she has discovered happiness and contentment.

Born before Oklahoma reached statehood at Grady (Indian Territory), near what is now Ardmore, Oklahoma, Eula was one of four children. She and her deaf sister, Carrie (Mrs. Charles Schlack) attended the school at Austin for four years. When Indian territory was annexed, becoming Oklahoma, they transferred to the school at Sulphur.

Due to illness and a need of her at home, Eula's mother took her out of Sulphur. Not wanting Eula to lose her education, she enrolled her in the public school nearby. Thus, Eula got her education the hard way. Competing with those of normal hearing was no easy task, but through hard work and study she managed to hold her own. It was indeed a very proud girl who received her diploma.

While in school, Eula's talent in art was discovered. She specialized in water-color and china painting; her posters won several prizes. It was during these years, 1915-1916, that Eula had to give up her plans of going to Germany to study art. Fortunate for her to have won a scholarship; unfortunate, though, to have a World War going on at that time. Eula insists this was a mild disappointment compared to the one she had to take two years later.

Having a chance to take art courses at Kidd-Key College at Sherman, Texas, preparatory to teaching art in a school for deaf, the flu epidemic forced her to cancel her plans.

Her marriage to Alex Chaney and the subsequent arrival of a girl compensated in large measure for this disappointment. Art was put aside in the busy years of raising three children—two girls and a boy. Today the girls are married. The boy, after 4 years in the Naval Reserve, is staying with his eldest sister, learning the cattle business.

After her husband, for 24 years a licensed deaf embalmer in McAlester, died in 1943, Eula decided to move to Tulsa. There she secured work as a stamp-collector at the Spartan Aircraft Co.

Having gained this feeling of confidence, and anxious to continue working after contributing her part to the war effort, Eula found it was not easy without much experience. Undaunted, she enrolled in a trade school only to have her efforts go to waste. Determined that someway, somehow, she could locate something to do with the help of the rehabilitation office, she made application. But it was a long wait before Miss Landon, the office counsellor, finally started Eula on her course of rug braiding. With a portable table set up in her three-room apartment, Eula does her work at home. The rugs are of different sizes and shapes and all wool. Eula modestly says that she finished a 10x10 foot rug in record time-exactly three weeks. Her instructor, Mrs. Buterfish, praises her work, saying that Eula learned the knack of it in only a week, and does her work very well. Eula's pride in her work is justified and understandable.—NAYDEAN McElhaney.

Below, Mrs. Chaney at work on one of the large rugs she turns out with record speed.



SWinging . . .

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Clinton Coffey spent his week's vacation on a train trip across Missouri, making all the local stops, and spent two hours in St. Louis, Mo. Clinton had an opportunity to see President Truman at Mexico, Mo., where the President stopped to give a speech from the train after attending the commencement at the University of Missouri.

Delbert Kline, of Omaha, Neb., was a week-end visitor in Kansas City on his way home from a vacation in Oklahoma.

OHIO . .

On Sunday, June 11, Pearl and William Barrowcliff were hosts at a picnic held at the farm of Homer Toms, several miles north of Mt. Healthy, Cincinnati. The picnic was held in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pettypiece of Winnipeg, Canada, who have been on a lengthy visit to Cincinnati and thus escaped the floods that inundated their home city this spring. Mrs. Pettypiece is the sister of Mrs. Toms. Those at-tending were Clarence and Mary Bender. Albert and Helen Bender, Arthur and Christine Morlock, Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Watters, Mr. and Mrs. David Watters with their children, Frank and Bessie Kiefer, Norbert and Marie Low, Ancil and Adeline Lippert, Jack and Linda Parsons, James and Pauline Wilkerson and children. Ray and Edna Grayson, Elizabeth Bacheberle, Abe Hoy, besides the hosts and guests of Goldberg, Fred O'Brien, and William

The farm proved a delightful place for a picnic, with a large and spacious lawn, and old-fashioned rambling farm house, with large barns and duck pond. Mr. Toms, being a horse lover, exhibited some of his show horses during the afternoon, to the delight of the children and the older folks also, who do not have the opportunity to often admire a beautiful horse at close range. All brought their own lunches which were eaten out under the shade trees late in the afternoon. The only event to mar the otherwise fine day was a breeze that sprang up toward evening, that apparently originated close to the North Pole, for it was downright chilly and made everyone dig up sweaters or coats.

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To honor Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Pereira of Boston, Helen Healey entertained a group of friends at the home of her sister on the evening of June 10. Mrs. Pereira was the former Kathryn Roden of this city. They were accompanied by their charming daughter, Cordelia.

The evening was passed in playing games and chatting. Along towards midnight, a very tasty luncheon was served by Helen and her sister, Mrs. Buening. Those attending the party were: Hilbert and Harriet Duning, Le-Roy and Dorothy Duning; Albert and Helen Bender, Clarence and Mary Bender, Arthur and Christine Morlock, Bill and Agatha Rickards, Frank and Bessie Kiefer, Ray and Edna Grayson, Mary Toohey, Kenneth Rose and Gus Straus.

The Pereiras spent about ten days in Cincinnati visiting Mrs. Pereira's parents, and were the guests of friends on several occasions. They returned home the long way, driving through Virginia to visit Monticello, Williamsburg and other historic spots, then north through Washington, Annapolis, and Baltimore. The trip was expected to last two weeks before their return to Boston.

On the evening of June 10, Ann Garretson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Garretson of Fort Mitchell, Ky., was graduated from Miss Daugherty's School for Girls, in Walnut Hills, Cincinnati. Ann completed the four-year course with flying coors. In the fall she will probably enter Stephens College, a prospect viewed with dismay by the members of the Cincinnati Club and her many other friends, who will miss her vivacious charm during her absence. Ann previously attended the Central School for Deaf in St. Louis.

Ann's graduation service was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Duning, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bischoff and daughter, Barbara Ann, and Mrs. Elizabeth Bacheberle.

Under the guidance of Paul Browning, treasurer of the division, Division No. 10, N.F.S.D., held its annual outing on Sunday, June 4, at Shady Shores Park, near Latonia, Ky. Fully equipped for all kinds of recreation, the park, privately owned, proved an ideal place for a fraternal outing. The afternoon was featured by a slow pitch ball game between members of the division and a team representing a Latonia cafe. We do not recall the final score, which is perhaps just as well. Several disciples of Isaac Walton tried their luck and skill in the large lake on the grounds, with only moderate luck. The youngsters had a grand time playing on the swings and slides provided for their entertainment.

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Officers of the O.A.D. Left to right: Konrad Hokanson, secretary; Virginia Lauer, trustee; Karl Johnson, president; Zelma Hokanson, 2nd vice president; Cleo Hood, treasurer; Rocksien Hood, trustee; Pearl Hummel, trustee; Leylan Wood, trustee; Dora Craven, trustee; Kenneth Jamieson, 1st vice president.

THE OREGON ASSOCIATION OF THE DEAF CONVENTION

The Oregon Association of the Deaf held its 13th biennial convention at the Oregon School for the Deaf, Salem, June 2, 3, and 4. The Portland chapter served as host. Charles Lynch was chairman, assisted by Herbert Foss, Mrs. Clara Kreidt, Mrs. Walter Lauer, and Mrs. Dora Craven.

A reception was held in the assembly hall. Chairman Lynch gave a short talk and introduced some speakers. Mrs. Mina Reichle signed "God Bless America" very beautifully. Superintendent M. B. Clatterbuck gave an address of welcome and then talked about new construction planned at the school. The present superintendent's residence will be changed to a pre-school training center for younger deaf children. They will study speech, lip-reading, and language before entering the first grade.

Stewart Turnbull gave a report on his two-years' work as president. During his administration, he had worked mainly to discourage peddling. Karl E. Johnson gave the response and welcomed the members to the convention. Mrs. Thomas Ulmer, on behalf of the O.A.D., presented a 14x18 inch picture of Mr. C. Clayton Wentz, who was superintendent of the Oregon school from 1899 to 1902, to the school. She gave a sketch of his life.

A business meeting started on June 3, with President Turnbull in the chair. New copies of the Constitution and By-Laws were given to the members. It was decided to continue the movie about deaf workers, planned by Superintendent Clatterbuck, Thomas Ulmer, and Konrad Hokanson, and the project of securing pictures of the former superintendents for the school. A chapter may collect registration fees, an amount sub-

ject to approval by the Board of Directors, when it takes responsibility for a biennial convention. The assembly hall was filled with hot air from some of the discussions; besides this, the temperature rose to 94 degrees.

Election of officers for 1950-1952 was held. The officers and directors are as follows: Karl E. Johnson, Pres.; Kenneth Jamieson, 1st V-P.; Mrs. Konrad Hokanson, 2nd V-P.; Konrad Hokanson, Sec.; Cleo Hood, Treas.; Leylan Wood and Mrs. Cleo Hood, six-year directors; Mrs. Bird Craven and Mrs. Walter Lauer, four-year directors; and Francis Grote and Mrs. Ray Hummel, two-year directors.

A banquet drew the members to the Marion Hotel at seven o'clock. The banquet room was very colorful. Superintendent Clatterbuck gave the invocation. Mrs. Bird Craven served as toastmistress. The program, which was immensely enjoyed, was as follows:

"Coming thru the Rye," Mrs. Ray Hummel; Address, Harry S. Dorman, Executive Secretary to Governor Mc-Kay; Response, Olaf Tollefson; Skit, Herman S. Baim; "Yankee Doodle," Mrs. John O'Brien; "Star Spangled Banner," Mrs. Lois Houser.

After the banquet, the members threaded their way to the school. There several plays, efficiently directed by Mr. Baim, were given. Those participating in the plays were Mrs. Everett Rattan, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Moreau, Harold Whitmer, Mr. McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Linde, Bob Carlin (dog), and Mr. Baim, himself.

On the final day of the convention, Rev. George C. Ring of Portland conducted church services.—Georgia Ulmer.

GALLAUDET HOLDS 21st TRIENNIAL REUNION

Boyce Williams New GCAA President

The Twenty-first triennial reunion of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association was held on Kendall Green, June 14-18, 1950, in an atmosphere made to order, minus Washington's traditional summer heat. The customary good fellowship of friends long parted prevailed from beginning to end, under the skillful leadership of retiring President Ben Schowe, '18, of Akron. Native Washingtonians were non-plussed by the cooling zephyrs that graced the large number of Kendall Greeners at every gathering.

With Dr. Leonard M. Elstad necessarily absent on the important mission of carrying the message of Gallaudet to foreign shores, the first lady of Kendall Green, his charming helpmeet, performed the functions of host and hostess

in a most memorable manner.



BOYCE R. WILLIAMS Incoming . . .

The District of Columbia alumni chapter carried out its traditional responsibility of sponsoring the reunion in a highly creditable fashion, under the able direction of its president, G. Emil Rath, '34, and his staff of willing helpers. Probably the most impressive event of all was the banquet at the Hotel 2400, arranged by a committee headed by Owen G. Carrell, '00.

On Thursday morning, June 15, Dr. Buell C. Gallagher, Program Consultant to the Federal Security Agency Administrator, who had recently completed a comprehensive preliminary report of his study of the responsibility of the

Federal Government for the higher education of the deaf, spoke at length at the first business session. He said his study clearly revealed that the Federal Government has a responsibility for the deaf, and that Gallaudet College is certainly a large part of the answer.

Dr. Albert Atwood, Congressman Homer Thornberry of the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Elstad, Edward Denison Gallaudet, grandson of Edward Miner Gallaudet, Mrs. Maxine Tull Boatner, Gallaudet biographer, and Lawrence N. Yolles, first vice president of the N.A.D., were other speakers on the program.

In his report on the accomplishments of his administration, charting the way for the years ahead, President Schowe noted the re-birth and development of an operating chapter system, the life blood of a dynamic GCAA; material contribution to the establishment of the right of institutional employees to participate in the Civil Service Retirement System; initiation of a biography of E. M. Gallaudet; establishment of a system of alumni athletic awards for undergraduate achievement; acceptance and strengthening of the Gallaudet Alumni Bulletin; and the development of interest in the preservation of Gallaudet heirlooms. He pointed out the fact that the College authorities needed and desired the current thinking of alumni on use of the EMG Memorial Fund, among other things. He indicated that alumni representation on the Board of Trustees was highly desirable and still sought.

Among the resolutions compiled by a committee under the chairmanship of Wilson A. Grabill, '34, was one placing the Association on record as supporting the efforts of the N.A.D. to provide sound, effective leadership for the deaf of America.

Social diversionment during the reunion featured a luncheon given by the GCAA Board of Directors in honor of the Institution Board of Trustees and other government officials; an outing at Great Falls, scene of many hallowed alumni memories; conclaves of the Kappa Gamma Fraternity and the OWLS sorority; and motion pictures showing the official GCAA films.

Boyce R. Williams, '32, of Washington, D. C., was elected president at the election on June 17. Mr. Williams, specialist for the deaf in the U. S. Office

of Vocational Rehabilitation, and a former educator, has been recognized for some years as one of the outstanding alumni of the college. Other officers elected were David Peikoff, '29, Canada, first vice president; G. Gordon Kannapell, '21, Kentucky, second vice president; James N. Orman, '23, Illinois, secretary; Leon Auerbach, '40, D. C., treasurer. Members of the Board are Mrs. Anna Stout Divine, '01, Washington, and Miss Margaret E. Jackson, '25, New York.

At the banquet, presided over by Frederick H. Hughes, '13, speakers were Mr. Gallaudet, Mrs. Boatner, Dr. Atwood, Rep. Thornberry, Mrs. Elstad, Mr. Schowe, Dr. Bjorlee, Dr. Hall, and Mr. Williams. On behalf of the GCAA, President Schowe presented engraved silver bowls to Dr. Elizabeth Peet and



BEN M. SCHOWE Outgoing . . .

Dr. Harley D. Drake, '04 (unavoidably absent), as tokens of appreciation of their long years of service. Both are re tiring this year. President Schowe, in turn, was given a cash gift, in appreciation of his effective management of GCAA affairs, resulting in one of the most energetic periods the Association has experienced.

At interdenominational chapel services on Sunday joint services were held in the College chapel by the Reverend J. S. Light, '16, and the Reverend Homer E. Grace, '11. Mrs. Boatner gave an enlightening address on her progress

as biographer of Dr. Gallaudet.

NEW YORK . . .

Mrs. Duncan MacLean planned and carried out a wonderful program May 27, when the Brooklyn Protestant Guild of the Deaf staged a Strawberry Festival. Mrs. MacLean was assisted by her pretty daughter, Margie. Some of the entertainment proved quite hilarious. More than one person left his name and address so as to be notified of future affairs held by the BPGD. Almost everyone enjoyed a second helping of strawberry shortcake, around which the event was planned.

Madge Finley has finally recovered from a bad attack of flu which laid her low in April. She is able to get out and see her friends after two long months.

John Gilmour, deaf and blind, was operated on recently for the removal of a cyst on his back. Since the opening of the new Lightbuoy Club for the Blind in Brooklyn, John has spent his leisure time enjoying the club's recreational facilities which are especially rigged for the blind.

Jack Bahan and Dicksey Farmer drove out into the country recently and dropped in on Betty and Bob Halligan, who promptly invited them to stay for dinner. Jack and Dicksey seem to be taking their dating seriously because we learn that they were also dinner guests of Susja and Harold Hagaman in Jersey. Georges Salomon entertained the couple in his Park Avenue apartment the other evening along with the Charles Ellisons.

Gloria and David Balacaier are planning to spend a month's vacation in



Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Lawrence of Portland, Oregon, received congratulations upon their 40th anniversary celebration, when they held open house for some 60 friends and relatives on May 21. The couple was married May 18, 1910.

sunny California, shuttling between San Francisco and Los Angeles. They leave by plane early in July.

May 8 was a red letter day for Berger B. Ericson. On that day, he received delivery of a shiny new Chevrolet.

Bobby Freiman called all his friends up to his apartment for a farewell cocktail party, May 25. On June 1, Bobby sailed out of New York Harbor for a two month stay in Paris where he will study advanced art. He has already earned an enviable reputation as an artist, and wants to improve his technique.

Everything seems to happen to Leo Ahonen. One day recently, he was sent on an errand by his boss to the office of a firm in the Empire State Building. The building directory indicated the office he sought was located on the 65th floor. Leo took the elevator skyward, only to be told that the offices were on the next floor. Instead of taking the elevator. Leo walked up the one flight -only to find that the door to the 66th corridor was locked. Returning downstairs, he discovered that the elevator doors were also locked. Though he made a lot of noise, no one heard him. As a result Leo tramped down 65 flights of winding stairs and was pretty well done in when he reached the street floor. There he once again took the elevator to the 66th floor, but found the offices closed for the day. Poor Leo! Incidentally, Leo and his mother sail for Finland shortly on a three month

To Mrs. Catherine Ebin goes the credit for the Women's Clubs' staging the best entertainment in town in many a moon. The club invited the Chicago Dramatic Club to New York to present their current laugh-getter, "Alibi Bill." Directed by Virgie Dries Fitzgerald. who also played the part of a maid, the cast included Francis Fitzgerald in the harried Dagwood-like role of Bill Smith perpetually in dutch with his wife and her mother. The mother-in-law, enacted realistically by Frieda Meagher, irritated the audience as much as any reallife mother-in-law. John Tubergen brought forth many a laugh as the butler with the stray lock of hair stitcking straight up on his head. John Breslin enacted the part of Ned Kennedy. His two confused girl-friends were played by Beatrice Miller and Celia Warshawsky. Muriel Dvorak made the inane remark that all the girls in the cast certainly had pretty underpinnings, while Edith Allerup couldn't take her eyes off S. Robey Burns. It was almost impossible to connect the dignified Robey with the "cop" in "Alibi Bill," he was that good.

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Children of the Deaf

BABY ROYALTY

Sue Carol Dupree, not quite three, is pictured as she appeared after being crowned "queen" of a baby show sponsored by the Disabled American Veterans, Atlanta, Georgia.

The little queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dupree. Mr. Dupree was educated at the Cave Spring school. After completing his education there, he became a canvasser with the National Circulation Company of New York. He sold magazine subscriptions for this company for 18 years, in all the 48 states. He met Clara Mae Holmes in Seaboard, Va. The former Miss Holmes is now Mrs. Dupree, and the mother of Queen Sue Carol.

In 1940, Mr. Dupree tired of circulation canvassing. He served the Bell Bomber plant near Atlanta during the war, helping produce B-29's to aid the war effort. Afterwards, he sought a position with the Georgia Power Company, the largest industry south of the Mason-Dixon line. He was ridiculed for thinking he could secure work with this company, for working hazards had led the company to reject all deaf applicants. How Mr. Dupree landed the job is still a mystery-but he landed it! He is assigned to the Underground Department of the power com-

The Duprees welcomed the advent of a son, November 4, 1949. Sue Carol's small brother goes under the name of Carl.—L. B. DICKERSON.

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NEW MEXICO . . .

Returning home to Columbus, Ohio, from a visit to California, Mr. and Mrs. Riddler were visitors to Santa Fe the last week of May.

Other visitors to Santa Fe in late May were Mr. and Mrs. Gilmore Gledhill of San Diego, Calif. They were guests at the home of Mrs. Mayne Voorhees. Mr. and Mrs. Gledhill were returning home to the west coast after a six week auto trip across the nation. They stopped at Niagara Falls, Washington, D.C., and other interesting cities en route.

Robert Clingenpeel of the Santa Fe school faculty is quite pleased with himself, and with good reason. Bob received his Master's degree at the University of New Mexico on June 5.

Mary Sladek has gone home to the west coast for the summer. As this goes to press Mary is joining her dad and brother Frank on board their fishing boats, the Crown and the Riba, both of which boats sailed out of Los Angeles harbor Monday, June 19, in search of albacore. A San Pedro, Calif., newspaper featured an article on the Sladek father and son team, June 23. Seems that Frank and his Dad were the first among the hundreds of jig-boats to unload this season's first albacore catch at Van Camp's cannery. From where we sit, it looks like a good season for them, with albacore currently priced at \$400 a ton.

OREGON . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lynch have been doing some extensive traveling the past two months. Leaving Portland in March, they drove to Washington, D. C., where they attended the basketball tournaments and visited Gallaudet College. From there, they went on to New York to visit Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Werner and son Reggie, taking a side trip to view Niagara Falls. Motoring down to Florida, they took a plane to Cuba and back, then began the long trek west. Arriving home to Portland, the Lynchs have been entertaining their friends with interesting anecdotes about the wonderful trip.

Marion E. Finch, Los Angeles, Calif., visited Salem June 1 during the Oregon Association of the Deaf convention. It was good to see all her old friends, and better still for them to see her during her week's visit. She journeyed on to Seattle, Wash., to spend the rest of her vacation with a niece before returning to southern California.

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Velma Echols Benoit was another Los Angeles visitor to the OAD convention in Salem the first of June. The visit was especially enjoyable, as Velma is a product of the Oregon school.

Off on a six-week auto trip to Pennsylvania to visit relatives went Thomas and Georgia Ulmer of Salem on June 17. Georgia is our Oregon reporter and deserves a vacation. So if there is no Oregon news next month, you will understand.

ARIZONA . . .

Rhoda Clark and Hazel Davis of Los Angeles, spent several days in Phoenix visiting with Angelia Watson, prior to journeying eastward. They took in the Gallaudet reunion while en route to Connecticut.

Other visitors to Phoenix lately have been Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rountree and Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Thompson, all of Coronado, Calif., who stopped overnight on their way to Arkansas.

Local deaf learn with surprise of the resignation of Robert Kleberg from the staff of the Tucson school. They wish him every success in his new position as linotype operator in Galveston, Tex.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Anderson spent a two week vacation in Holbrook, Ariz., visiting relatives and showing off little son, Alan.

Glen Cluff has gone off to spend his vacation in Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Goree have brought the southern California atmosphere to Arizona. They've painted their lovely new house a pale yellow with blue trimming, such colors being new to our locality.

The William Hillards are busy nowadays. They are moving into the attractive home they purchased recently. They are so happy about the new abode, their friends cannot help being happy

A crowd of approximately 115 deaf people attended the Memorial Day picnic at Mesa, Arizona, May 28, sponsored by the Phoenix Club of the Deaf under the able chairmanship of Roy Morrison and his committee. A softball game between Phoenix and Tucson saw Tucson emerging the victor. During the noon hours the heat got a bit fierce, but most of the picnickers cooled off in the swimming pool. The gathering was so successful it bids fair to increase the attendance next year.

Arizona news may be sent to either Paul Baldridge of the Tucson school or Mrs. Barbara Stevens, 2332 E. Flower

Street, Phoenix.

CALIFORNIA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis I. Peterson enjoved an extended vacation in Canada, passing through northern California's beautiful Redwood Empire. Mrs. Peterson's two sisters are accompanying them. The return trip included stops at The Dalles, Crater Lake and Klamath Falls, Oregon. Lewis bewailed the cost of gasoline, which begins at 35c a gallon in British Columbia. However, with twenty miles to the gallon Lewis thinks he made out all right.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Mungers have returned from a vacation trip to New York. They report a nice journey, but agree that there is really no place like southern California.

The Ervin Graves, San Diego, took a weekend off recently and paid a visit to Tijuana, Mexico.

Members and friends of the San Diego Division, NFSD, spent an enjoyable afternoon at El Monte Park, June 18. Picnics are a favorite outing around this time of year.

Mrs. Billie Van Natlan of San Francisco spent a week in San Diego recently with her son Kenneth. Kenneth is in the Navy, and his mother came down to be with him during the time his ship docked in the port of San Diego.

Surprise visitor to Los Angeles Club of the Deaf on June 24 was Naydean McElhaney of Tulsa, Okla. Naydean spent several weeks visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rountree on Coronado Island, and returned to Tulsa the first of July. (How about some Oklahoma news for THE SILENT WORKER, Naydean?)

Seems that Irene and Robert Mepham are having fun around the casinos of Las Vegas, though Robert bemoans the awful heat. They won't be back to the coast until September.

Remember the California Association

of the Deaf convention meets in Santa Monica over the Labor Day weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertt Lependorf traveled south from their San Lorenzo home, with sons Bruce and Barry, to visit friends in the Los Angeles area. During their stay, they were the house guests of Leonard and Sally Meyer.

The Kyle Workmans went camping over the Fourth, taking Charles Varns along-to mend rips in the tent, we bet. Charles and Bea Varns have purchased a home in Venice. A short residence in Van Nuvs convinced them commuting distance was too great between home and Charles' thriving upholstering business in Santa Monica.

Mrs. Larry Levy is still vacationing in Arkansas with her family, while Larry remains with the job.

Recent visitors to southern California were the Hyman Krakovers of Chicago. among others. The Los Angeles area is a summer mecca for vacationers, but we do not always catch the names!

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Correction

It has come to our attention that two names were inadvertently omitted from the scroll containing the Century Club roster which was printed on the cover of the June number of THE SILENT WORKER.

Mrs. William A. Tilley, of Tiburon, California, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Winegar, of Flint, Michigan, were members of the Century Club and we regret the fact that their names were somehow overlooked when the lists were copied. Their names will be found in the roster on the NAD pages this month. Before the end of the year, we hope to have the roster again displayed on the cover. bringing the Century Club members up to date. So join the Century Club now and see your name on THE SILENT WORKER cover!



Volume II of THE SILENT WORKER will be complete with the August number and any subscribers or readers wishing one of these handsomely bound books may order it now. They will be strongly bound with blue cloth cover. Title and owner's name will be lettered in gold, the same as was done with Volume I.

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View of picnickers enjoying the sun on the lawn. Barrowcliff picnic, Cincinnati.—Grayson photo.

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NEBRASKA . . .

There was quite a large exodus from Omaha to Washington, D.C., for the Gallaudet reunion early in June. Among those leaving June 12 were Misses Rose Stepan, Nora Nanney, Marie Goetter and Mrs. Osmun, all employees of the Nebraska School for the Deaf. Miss Nanney is a rabid canasta fan. She packed a whole box of canasta playing-cards in her suitcase, and announced that she and her companions were going to play canasta all during the long train trip to Washington. And we bet they did too.

George Propp, latest to subscribe to The Silent Worker, is attending summer school at the University of Omaha, taking up "High School Methods of Teaching." Mr. Propp is an Advanced Class teacher at the Nebraska school and also serves as athletic director. Losing his hearing at the age of 15, George entered the Nebraska school from Scotts Bluff, Neb., high school, and instantly adjusted himself to his new environment. He is well liked among the deaf of our state, who are fond of calling him their "wonder boy" because of his exceptional abilities.

Omaha Club of the Deaf held something new in the way of entertainment June 17. The deaf from near and far attended a "barn dance" held in a real country barn some fifteen miles outside Omaha. Staid and sober ladies and gentlemen cast their dignity to the four winds and joined in the dancing with a gusto much in keeping with the overalls and gingham frocks. The old barn echoed to the rafters until far into the

wee hours of the morning. Everyone went home making plans for a similar affair in the not-too-distant future. John Scheneman served as chairman. He deserves a hearty pat on the back for staging the most enjoyable event the deaf of Omaha have had in years.

Thomas R. Peterson, who contributes Nebraska news for this column, and his sister, Mrs. Helen Lewis, were host and hostess at a reception in honor of Mrs. Thomas Edgar of New York City Saturday evening, June 17. Thirty guests were bidden to the party. Mrs. Edgar is the former Jean Boggan of Elkhorn, Neb., and was educated orally at the Central Institute in St. Louis and Grinnell College in Iowa. She is spending the summer in Omaha with her rela-

tives, accompanied by her five-monthold baby, and busily renewing friendships among the local deaf who knew her before she moved to New York.

INDIANA . . .

The Indianapolis School for the Deaf witnessed one of its most heavily attended Alumni Reunions this summer. More than 850 registered, and an estimated 100 more failed to sign the registration book. A feature of the reunion was dramatic entertainment provided by the ambitious and talented members of the Chicago Silent Dramatic Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Samples, formerly of Fort Wayne, have moved to Chattanooga, Tenn. They are missed by Fort Wayne friends.

The SILENT WORKER has not acquired the services of a regular correspondent in Indiana. Residents of Indiana cities who would like to try their hand at news reporting are invited to contact the Assistant News Editor, Harriet Booth, who edits news of the central states. Address box elsewhere.

SOUTH DAKOTA . . .

The Clark Berkes are enjoying their beautiful new four room bungalow, in which they have resided for only a short time. Building was completed in May. During recent months, both Mr. and Mrs. Berke have had some experience with surgery, major and minor. Back in April, Clark had his tonsils removed; a little earlier, Mrs. Berke was operated upon for rupture. She has recovered very nicely.

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Cincy Dances For Ann

by RAY GRAYSON

Though it was officially called the Benefit Dance for the Athletic Fund, every one fell into the habit of calling it "Ann's Dance," for Ann Garretson was chairman of the affair. Her purpose was to raise funds for new uniforms for the softball team and to pay the expenses of the Beauty Queen representing the club, to the big contest to be held in Chicago during the soft ball tournament on Labor Day.

Ann demonstrated the value of youthful, fresh ideas, for the third floor of the club was decorated in a tasteful manner never before achieved. Paper streamers, balloons and wire "birdcages", with other ornaments changed the appearance of the auditorium completely. The stage, prepared the evening before, held the throne for the queen, covered with white and partially encircled by a green dais, while the walls were covered with streamers and bunting, with gaily colored balloons scattered over the floor.

Though the weather on the evening of Saturday, June 24, was hot and sultry, with occasional thundershowers, it failed to keep the attendance down, for the clubrooms were crowded early, with everyone wishing to enjoy Ann's party. The colorful auditorium made a hit with everyone.

Ann had worked hard and succeeded in getting eight girls to enter into the contest for the beauty queen. Most of the girls wore formal evening gowns and had all the boys flocking around them before the actual contest began. Once the judging started, the girls were given numbers and lined up for inspections. Then Ann bearing a tray with numbered cans went through the audience who indicated their choice for queen by depositing coins in the proper can, one cent equaling one vote.

After a lapse of time, the judges retired to the office to tally the votes and select the queen. The contest was very close, with the final result being the selection of Lucy Ann Elliott as queen, with Eleanor Hahn taking second place and Yvonne Hellman third. The result was kept a secret. All the girls retired behind the drawn stage curtains and the result was announced to them first. Queen Lucy Ann was then seated on her throne with her court of honor arranged on either side. The curtain was drawn back and the audience had their first glimpse of the stage and the girl chosen for the queen. The result brought applause and cheers from the audience, for the queen, deeply tanned and beautifully gowned, surrounded by her radiant court, made a charming picture.



One of the Gallaudet Reunion banquet groups. Man in foreground with glasses is Alan B. Crammatte, editor of The Cavalier; next in order around the table are Mrs. Crammatte; Bill White, former Silent Worker editor; Mrs. White; Ernest Schuster; Robert Werdig; Mrs. Werdig. Lady in forgeround unidentified. Roy J. Stewart is seen farthest to the right, and across the table from him is the Rev. J. Stanley Light. Behind Schuster is Larry Yolles, the NAD hot shot, and directly behind him is Dave Peikoff.—Mescol photo.

The queen, who already wore a robe of royal blue and white satin, was crowned with a wreath of rosebuds by Ann (who was selected as queen at the tournament last year in Louisville). The queen also recieved an armful of deep red American Beauty roses, with the second and third place winners receiving bouquets of yellow tea roses. All contestants were presented with perfume atomizers as souvenirs. Other contestants, besides those already named, were Ethel Robinson, Marie Mersch, Norma Zukor, Margaret Meishberger and Marie Louise Ruebusch.

At the end of the presentation of the gifts, to show their appreciation of her hard work on their behalf, the boys of the softball team presented to Ann a very beautiful pair of lounging pajamas, much to Ann's surprise and delight. The presentation was made by John Jaworek, manager of the team.

After the partners of the girls had been called to the stage, Ann and her partner lead the grand march, which was followed by dancing.

All during the evening ice cream, cake and soft drinks were on sale, the proceeds helping the athletic fund.

Ann was assisted with the preparations for the dance and contest by the officers of the club, Gus Straus, chairman; Hilbert Duning, president; Mrs. Elizabeth Bacheberle, secretary, and Le-Roy Duning, George Klein and Ray Grayson, members of the board. LeRoy Duning acted as master of ceremonies during the contest for queen, with President Duning and Chairman Straus

assisting. During the evening pictures of the events were taken by President Duning and Ray Grayson using regular film and color. Mrs. LeRoy Duning, Mrs. Robert Barrowcliff and Miss Rosemary McHugh acted as salesladies at the ice cream and pop bar.

Attendance during the evening was approximately 150 and all considered the evening one of the most enjoyable in many a moon. Out-of-town attendance was large, due to the wide acquaintance of Ann.

Conference Follows Dixie Convention

The Dixie Association of the Deaf meets August 4 at the Carolina Hotel, Raleigh, N. C.

The two days following will be devoted to a Social Service Conference of the Deaf, the first of its kind ever held. Theme of the conference will be "The Moral, Social and Religious Welfare of the Deaf."

Three ministers to the deaf will discuss the theme in the first period. In the second, speakers will be three leaders of the deaf. In the final period, the discussion will be carried on by three educators of the deaf. Each of these groups will be represented in a panel discussion in which a summary and recommendations will be made.

This unusual gathering of leaders in the three main branches of social service to the deaf should result in findings of interest to all who serve the deaf. A report on conclusions drawn at the conference will appear in a later issue.



Completing 37 years of steady employment with the Automatic Electric Co., of Chicago, George Fillette, 67, of Missoula, Montana, was awarded a diamond and ruby pin.
George was a lathe machine operator and
made switchboard shafts. The photo shows
him examining one of the last shafts he
made before retiring because of ill health.

SWinging ...

(Continued from Page 24)

At last report, the Herbert Stearns family had delightful news. The wife and mother was to return from a tuberculosis sanatorium as a completely arrested case. She has spent several years in the sanatorium, and the family is excited over her homecoming.

Easter is long past now, but one gesture then was so heartwarming we feel we must include it. James Jones, a semiinvalid, was surprised on April 6 by a visit from the officers of the Sioux Falls N.F.S.D. and its ladies' auxiliary. They entertained Mr. Jones with a showing of movies, and the ladies served a delicious Easter luncheon. They then presented him with a pair of gabardine trousers and handsome suspenders. As he is still invalided, friends are urged to drop him cards occasionally at the Sioux Falls Hospital. This will help him pass the

Summer has witnessed the good use being made of the 1948 Nash acquired by Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Otten, earlier this year. The Ottens no longer have cause to envy anyone!

For items reported here, we are indebted to Mrs. A. J. Krohn, 1618 East 10th Street. The current dispatch is delayed through no fault of Mrs. Krohn; it was mislaid in the editorial offices. We apologize for the oversight, and will take especial pains with later contributions.

THE NUT THAT HOLDS THE WHEEL

By THE AUTOMANIAC

Some drivers seem to be very lucky where tires are concerned, and others seem to be very unfortunate. Yet from my experience over a period of years I should say that the lucky driver is not really lucky; smart is the word. And the other fellow is not so smart.

All the smart driver does is watch his air pressure once in a while. A pressure gauge costs less than a dollar and takes up no more room than a fountain pen. When he stops to buy gas he checks his tires. If one is soft, he has it removed and inspected at once. Such a driver almost never has a flat—he catches them before they go flat. And all the time required is a minute a week. 99% of incipient flats can be detected in this manner.

A valuable point to consider is that the smart driver gets more mileage out of his tires, because he always keeps them fat and round, thus preserving them from carcass breaks (a tire has little value once its carcass is broken). The careless driver gets his flats on the road and often his tires suffer damage while he is rolling on the flat, bringing the car to a stop. True, there are other causes of carcass breaks, such as hitting curbs, rocks and holes in the road surface, but riding on soft tires and rolling on flats do far more damage than all

other causes put together.

Outside of watching air pressure, about the only thing a smart driver need do is watch for nails and tacks. Not very often; say once every few months. This is a good idea just before a long trip. If you are too lazy to jack your wheels up for inspection, you can do it while your car is on the lift for greasing. This trick catches a lot more flats before they actually go down. You'd be surprised how long a nail or a tack usually rides embedded in a tire before it causes a flat. Each nail or tack you pull out is another flat you won't have.

In spite of all precautions, however, flats are bound to occur. When a tire is going down, the driver should know by the way his car steers that something is wrong. If he has any sense, he will stop at once and change tires. Stopping before the tire goes flat wil prevent possible damage to the sidewalls.

A simple flat is easy to repair. A small patch will take care of a nail hole in a tube. The inside of the tire should be checked for nails or broken cords. One or two broken cords may be covered with a tube patch to prevent chafing. After the tube has been patched it should be checked in water to make sure no leak has been overlooked.

A tire man who knows his business can repair almost any tube, regardless of how large a hole is in it. For a round hole, two patches will do the trick, the second patch much larger than the first. A third patch, on the inside, is

good insurance. It is applied first, gum side up, and handled with a pair of

A long split can be repaired in much the same way, but in such a case hot patches are recommended. Hot patches may be overlapped; cold patches never. The inside patch, of course, is always

When a carcass has a break in it, a blowout patch or a boot may be used in an emergency. It should be remembered, however, that such repairs are temporary. You may continue to drive on the tire, but the break will get worse sooner or later. If you feel that the tire is too good to be discarded, buy a reliner. A boot, or short reliner, will do an equally good repair job, but it throws the tire badly out of balance. The reliner goes all the way around the inside of the tire, and while it will impair the tire's balance a little it will be far better than a boot. A relined tire may last a long time, but don't drive too fast on it and watch it carefully.

During the war, when tires were almost impossible to get and reliners were worth their weight in gold, I repaired several bad carcass breaks with steel plates. They were the cause of much merriment and no little derision from other mechanics, but the tires kept on rolling. Now that tires are plentiful and reasonably priced there is no ex-cuse for going to such extremes, but it gives you an idea how far one can go in repairing tires in an emergency.

If you must roll on a bad tire, put it on a front wheel, not a rear. If it blows out you can keep the car under control by hauling on the steering wheel. A blowout on a rear wheel is far more dangerous since you cannot steer the rear wheels. However, good-quality tires should not blow out unless they have been abused. Most blowouts occur on tires with carcass breaks, usually breaks which had been repaired and become worse and which the driver should have been watching.

Some drivers have their broken tires vulcanized. While these vulcanized repairs look very pretty in the shop, after a few months on the road they don't look so good. Sometimes they come off; sometimes they crack; often they cause a flat or a blowout. I question their

For longer mileage you can rotate your tires periodically, but personally I don't go for that idea. Through rotation, all tires wear equally, and thus they will all wear out at once and I'd have to buy a whole new set at once. I'd rather have them wear out one or two at a time; thus my bankroll wouldn't be hit so hard, and furthermore I'd always have several fairly new tires on the car. If rotated them, when they were almost worn out, I'd be rolling on a full set of almost worthless carcasses.

Surprise of the Year

NO. CAROLINA WINS 8th ANNUAL NATL MYTHICAL TRACKFEST

Another Southern School, Oklahoma, Finishes Second Gilbert Brown, Mt. Airy Negro Star, and Garret Nelson of Nebraska Voted Best All-Around Tracksters

By ART KRUGER

T WOULDN'T BE FAIR if anyone but North Carolina's John Kubis were named Track Coach of the Year for 1950.

Taking over in 1949, Kubis brought North Carolina from a fairish school for the deaf track team which was attempted at the school for the first time in its history to a spike squad which this year won the eighth annual National Schools for the Deaf Mythical Track and Field championships.

The boyish looking Wisconsin product and graduate of Gallaudet College in the class of 1948 would blush at the thought, but his accomplishments are strictly major league.

Kubis' ideas on track are both sound and successful. Here are the main points:

1. The most important thing is to convince a young trackman that he

can become a champion. Without the proper mental attitude (a great desire to win) no trackman will ever hit the big time.

2. Work, work, work. There's just no substitute for it and no one can do it for you. A track man can't hide behind a tackle.

3. Self-discipline. A track man has to get over doing just the things he wants to. He has to be willing to run distances.

4. Team spirit. That's what made the major difference on this year's North Carolina team. The Bears' track squad this year is a perfect illustration of teamwork.

In their second year on the track, some of Kubis' boys put up outstanding performances. Ted Hames and Wayne Hilton were the two brightest stars.

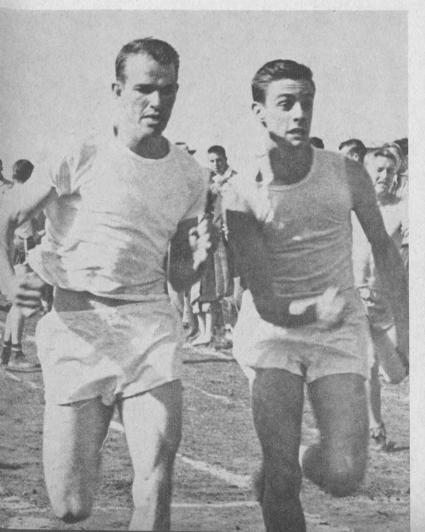
Hames was by far one of the most

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outstanding sprinters in the state and the best deaf sprinter in the country. He was tabbed as a threat to win his pet events in the State AAA championships, however, trouble with starter made him get off to bad starts both times. He nevertheless took second place in the 220-yard dash and third in the 100-yard dash. Blazing Ted, by the way, had run the century in 10s flat on three separate occasions this year, and during practice he ran the

The two pictures below show the fine Oklahoma quartet who ran half mile in 1:32.2 record time. L. to R., across page, Robert Watson, Clyde Clark, James Crabtree, James Allen.







North Carolina's track Coach of Year, John Kubis, with his two star pupils, Wayne Hilton (left) and Ted Hames.

440-yard in 51s, but he never competed in this event although he anchored the mile relay team.

Hilton was a good, steady quarter man all through the year and was second to Hames in individual scoring. He was a 10.5 sprinter converted to the 440 and 880.

Tommy Smith and Frank Mitchel are both 15 years old. Smith has shown surprising ability in the 880 and Mitchel in the mile, and both should bear watching.

Dick Bowman showed good form and speed in the 120-yard high hurdles for a second-year man. He won fifth place in the State AAA meet out of a field of more than 30 high hurdlers. Low hurdles seemed to confuse him.

The Kubis team as a whole lacked depth, but had several good first place men and a few seconds. It had to compete with Class AA and AAA high schools since the state has no Class B high school track teams. In four dual competitions, the North Carolina school had a record of three wins and only one loss, and was placed second in multilateral meet and eighth in the State AAA finals.

The nation sure has a new track power in North Carolina's Kubis-coached tracksters, and for the first time in eight mythical meets a southern school copped the national crown. It's been Eastern, Midwest, Central or Farwest teams on top since the competition originated in 1939.

North Carolina scored 51½ points for its first national mythical title. Another southern school, Oklahoma, displayed surprising balance to take runner-up honors with 45 1/3 points. California was third with 44½ points, followed by Mt. Airy and Nebraska with 40 each, and Michigan with 34 5/6.

At right is Garret Nelson, Nebraska's top all-around performer, a senior, best of the deaf hurdlers.

Southern thinclads were tops in five of 13 events, the Midwest athletes ranked best in three, a compilation of the top school for the deaf track marks disclosed.

North Carolina's decisive triumph was overshadowed by a brilliant performance by Mt. Airy's Gilbert Brown, a Negro, and Nebraska's Garret Nelson. Both were tabbed as the best all-around performers of the mythical meet and also in the history of their respective schools.

These young men who were graduated last June now take their place with such famous all-around athletes as Rolf Harmsen of North Dakota, Louis Byouk of Colorado, James Rayhill of Illinois and Marvin Tuttle of Iowa.

Asked what Gilbert Brown does best on the track, Coach Edwin Robinson replies as follows:

"Everything."

Take a look at the top performances this year by this 19-year-old, 5-foot-9, 148-pounder, and you'll see what the coach means:

100-yard dash, 10.3s. 220-yard dash, 23.3s. Broad jump, 21ft. 8½in. High jump, 6ft. Shot put, 41ft. 1in. Coach Robinson writes wisely about Gilbert's "perfect co-ordination and his ability to relax," but finally concludes that this is really what makes him great:

"He just hates to lose."

Brown was the star of all dual meets in which the Mt. Airy school had an 8-2 record. He usually won the 100, high jump, broad jump, 220, and sometimes the shot put.

The sensational Negro star kept his mythical broad jump title for the third straight year with a leap of 21ft. 8½in. The high jump crown also went to him with a creditable leap of 6ft. In the Girard College meet Brown tried to shoot at the school for the deaf high jump record mark of 6ft. 2in. owned by Larry Marxer of Iowa since 1940, by attempting a 6ft. 2½in. leap, but missed only by a small margin.

Garret Nelson, the 19-year-old, 5-foot-11, 160-pound ringleader of the Nebraska tracksters, streaked to a mathematical 26.8s triumph in the 220-yard low hurdles, raising his point total to 31 for the mythical meet scoring honors after taking first in the 120-yard high hurdles in 15.8s, thirds in the broad jump and discus and fourth in the shot put.

(Distance in the low hurdles varies in each state. Nebraska uses the 180yard lows. Nelson, however, was rated the best low hurdler in the nation.)

Sharing with Brown and Nelson, Ted Hames of North Carolina scored a double triumph. Hames grabbed off both sprint races in good times of 10s flat for the century and 22.9s for the furlong dash.

One of the meet's best performances was a 130ft. 7in. discus fling by Minnesota's Douglas Burke.

The 880-yard run went to Oklahoma Class of 1950 President, Ivan Millwee, who finished strong for a 2m. 8.8s triumph. The Oklahoma flash's victory broke the heart of Harold Allen of Michigan, who took fourth place in 2m. 9.8s for the greatest performance









In the picture above are some of the nation's top deaf track and field men. At right, John Verwiebe, Washington's shot-put star, who tossed the iron bulb 46 ft. II in. In the center picture, Ivan Millwee, hitting the tape, toured the half mile in 2:08.8 for Oklahoma. At right is Gilbert Brown, Mt. Airy's great trackster. Brown, a senior, won his third straight broad jump crown with a 21' 8" leap. In the high jump, he cleared the bar at 6 ft., only 2 in. short of the national schools for deaf record, 6' 2" set by Larry Marxer of Iowa in 1940.

in his four-year career. Allen, however, grabbed first place in the pole vault with a 10ft. 3in. performance.

James Barton of California scored a 4m. 45.5s four-lapper victory over another Mt. Airy Negro star, Lewellyn Thomas, who boasted a 4m. 54s-even clocking. Thomas, by the way, is a freshman, and according to Coach Robinson, has been the surprise of the season. Only recently has he shown ability. When he learns more about running the mile and 880 he should break some records. Thomas has won the mile and 880 on several occasions and did 2m. 9.2s in the 880 for his best mark, which was good enough to take second place in the mythical meet.

North Carolina's Wayne Hilton bagged the 440 in 53.1s.

John Verwiebe, Washington's newest shot put star, tossed the 12-pound iron bulb 46ft. 11in. for the top mark. "He is," writes Coach Harvey C. Haynes, "a fine boy with a great future in the next two years. I think he will go well over 50ft. before he is through."

Oklahoma had a terrific quartet which uncorked the nation's fastest time in the 880-yard relay with a 1m. 35.2s clocking, followed by Michigan at 1m. 36.4s which equals the state Class D record. The Oklahoma foursome was coached by J. W. Smith and composed of James Allen, Robert Watson, Clyde Clark and James Crabtree. Its mile relay team made up of Allen, Clark, Crabtree and Kenneth Bibles also had the best record at 3m. 36s-even.

Texas had two of the nation's outstanding sprinters in Nimm Sheldon and Charles Malugin who gave North Carolina's Ted Hames a terrific competition.

Because of a late start due to making the decision as to start track or not at the school, Texas only competed in three meets against Class A and Class AA high schools. Much to the surprise of Coach Jack Williams and his assistants and ourselves, the school outshone every opponent on the field, yet it cannot compete in the state finals because they claim Texas is a school for defectives. Crazy, isn't it? Sheldon

Below is Harold Allen, flying senior from Michigan who led pole vaulters with 10' 3".



and Malugin were two of the finest boys in the state. If they had been given the opportunity they would have placed high on the list of all-staters.

Nimm Sheldon, by the way, has yet to be defeated in the 100 and 220 this year against high schools in Texas.

Michigan had won all of seven meets except one which was the state Class D finals in which it was placed second. It has coming performers in Barry Schulz, Jesse Patrick and Donald Boone. Yes, Coach Earl Roberts, we are keeping our eyes on them.

Summary of the mythical meet (based strictly on best marks):

(based strictly on 2011)
100-YARD DASH—Ted Hames (North Carolina), 10.0; Nimm Sheldon (Texas), 10.1; Charles Malugin (Texas), 10.2; tie for fourth between Clyde Clark (Oklahoma) and Gilbert Brown (Mt. Airy), 10.3; Edward Arrivello (Mt. Airy), 10.4.
220-YARD DASH—Ted Hames (North

220-YARD DASH—Ted Hames (North Carolina), 22.9; tie for second among Nimm Sheldon (Texas), James Crabtree (Oklahoma, and Dick Ewald (Michigan), 23.0; Edward Arrivello (Mt. Airy), 23.3; Gilbert Brown (Mt. Airy), 23.4.

440-YARD DASH—Wayne Hilton (North

440-YARD DASH—Wayne Hilton (North Carolina), 53.1; Kenneth Bibles (Oklahoma), 53.8; Edward Barber (South Dakota), 54.0; tie for fourth between Charles McKenzie (North Carolina) and James Villani (Illinois), 54.5; Barry Schulz (Michigan), 54.6.

880-YARD RUN—Ivan Millwee (Oklahoma), 2:08.8; Lewellyn Thomas (Mt. Airy), 2:09.2; George Ramponi (California), 2:09.3; Harold Allen (Michigan), 2:09.8; Wayne Hilton (North Carolina), 2:10.0; Tommy Smith (North Carolina), 2:11.0.

ONE-MILE RUN—James Barton (California), 4:45.5; Lewellyn Thomas (Mt. Airy), 4:54.0; Ivan Millwee (Oklahoma), 4:59.4; Frank Mitchel (North Carolina), 5:06.0; Herbert Capes (North Carolina), 5:10.0; Dick Valley (Michigan), 5:10.8.

HIGH JUMP-Gilbert Brown (Mt. Airy) 6'0"; Joe Maxwell (California), 5'10"; Ted Hagemeyer (Indiana), 5'934"; tie for fourth among Harry Miller (Mt. Airy), Dick Ewald (Michigan) and Kenneth Longmore (Nebras-

BROAD JUMP-Gilbert Brown (Mt. Airy), 21'8½"; Joe Velez (California), 19'6"; Gar-21'8'2; Joe Velez (California), 19'6"; Garret Nelson (Nebraska), 19'5"; Herschel Johnson (Oklahoma), 19'3'½"; Arvid Trickey (Nebraska), 19'3"; Edward Arrivello (Mt. Airy), 19'2".

SHOT PUT — John Verwiebe (Washingsten) 46'10".

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DISCUS — Douglas Burke (Minnesota), 120'7". Polyart Lindbarg (Illinois), 127'8".

130'7"; Robert Liedberg (Illinois), 127'8"; Garret Nelson (Nebraska), 127'3"; Doyle Dedrich (Oklahoma), 117'2\\"2\"2"; Jimmy Bates (Missouri), 117'0"; George Wilding (Idaho),

120-YARD HIGH HURDLES-Garret Nelson (Nebraska), 15.8; Richard Bowman (North Carolina), 16.2; Earl Loftus (Nebraska), 16.3; tie for fourth between Avce (California and Keith Renshaw (Oklahoma), 16.8; tie for sixth between Gilbert Di Falco (Michigan) and Irvin Carlstedt (Illinois), 17.0.

220-YARD LOW HURDLES-Garret Nelson (Nebraska), 26.8; Gilbert DiFalco (Michigan); Don Merriman (Illinois); Joe Velez (California); Richard Bowman (North Carolina); Earl Loftus (Nebraska).

POLE VAULT—Harold Allen (Michigan), 1002", Lee Velez (California), 1002", Lee Velez (California), 1000", Lee Velez (California

10'3"; Joe Velez (California), 10'0"; Jack Messer (Indiana), 9'6"; Don Hall (North Carolina); James Grauatt (Idaho); D. Renwick (Washington).

880-YARD RELAY — Oklahoma Allen, Robert Watson, Clyde Clark and James Crabtree), 1:35.2; Michigan, 1:36.4; California, 1:36.6; South Dakota, 1:39.3; Missouri, 1:39.4; Nebraska, 1:40.2.

The distribution of points, based on a 10-8-6-4-3-2-1 scoring system, was as follows:

North Carolina, 511/2; Oklahoma, 45 1/3; California, 44½; Mt. Airy, 40½; Nebraska, 40; Michigan, 34 5/6; Texas, 14 1/3; Illinois, 14; Indiana, 14; Minnesota, 14; Washington, 12; South Dakota, 7; Missouri, 4; and Idaho, 3. Other schools competing in this meet, but not figuring in the scoring were Iowa, Kansas, Oregon, Florida and Maryland.

P.S. We learn through Thomas O. Berg, holder of the 180ft. 5in. javelin Gallaudet standard, and present athletic coach of the Idaho school for the deaf, that his school has a track team.

As a whole, Berg's boys are in their early teens, most of whom have two or three years of eligibility left. The school has a new 440-yard oval, which is one of the best in the state. It started track only three years ago, and during that time it was forced to use the high school facilities for its practice sessions. Now that it has unlimited facilities of its own, Coach Berg is looking forward to producing many boys of stellar recognition. A few of his boys show promise of entering the state finals next year and the year after that. Bowling Achievement of the Year

CLEVELAND FIVE IN ALL-TIME GLDBA TEAM MARK

Gilardo Lathing Keglers Blast Pins for Record 2954 at Syracuse

The 14th meeting of the Great Lakes Deaf Bowling Association tournament in Syracuse, N. Y., last April 14-16 saw the 13-year-old GLDBA team mark go flitting out of the window as the Gilardo Lathing keglers of Cleveland rolled the terrific games that put together the 2954 score for a new team record. This sparkling 2954 series is also an all-time high for the country by a team of deaf bowl-

The Sign Post, official organ of the Detroit Association of the Deaf. edited by Marion J. Allen, has the following to say about this great performance:

As everybody knows, what goes up must come down. A quintet of bowlers representing the Detroit Association of the Deaf way back in 1937, established the all-time record of 2811 in the GLDBA Tournament here in Detroit and for 13 years the record has remained at the top, withstanding annual assaults except during the war years.

The Gilardo outfit was composed of such outstanding Cleveland bowlers as Frank Gilardo, Abe Saslaw, Carmen Travarca, Joe Kernz and GLDBA President Herman Cahen. Saslaw topped them all with a grand total of 644 for the three games, closely followed by team Captain Gilardo, who posted a 641. The two 200-plus men were ably supported by Travarca, with 582, Cahen with 561, and Kernz's 526 to make the grand total 2954, which, in the writers' opinion, will

stand for a long time to come.

The supremacy of the Gilardo team is more remarkable when one stops to consider the fact that the second-place finisher, Milwaukee Silent Club No. 3, rolled a total of 2661, nearly 300 pins behind the winner.

By winning the 1950 GLDBA team event, the Gilardo Lathing fivesome earned a \$200 slice and a trophy, medals and added prize donated by the Syracuse Silent Club. Low in the money was 2515 with 12 out of 36 teams getting in on the payoff.

Ohio bowlers made a clean sweep of the other events. In the doubles, Leo Ottremba and John Miller of Toledo were first with 1179 for \$67 and each received a trophy. Low in the money was 1008 with all 25 dues being paid.

Seldon Cook of Akron was first in the singles class with 612 and collected \$35 and a trophy. Low in the money was 513 with a total of all 53 places paid.

James Parker of Toledo won the allevents crown by knocking down 1728 pins in the three events and got \$20 and a trophy.

Herman Cahen of Cleveland, president; Larry Yolles of Milwaukee, vicepresident, and Thomas A. Hinchey of Syracuse, secretary-treasurer, were elected for another term. Toledo had already been awarded the 1951 GLDBA bowlfest, while Rochester, N. Y., was selected as the 1952 site.

Complete GLDBA standings will be published in the September number.

Gilardo Lathing Co. of Cleveland keglers, I. to r., top row: Herman Cahen, Capt. Frank Gilardo, Abe Saslow. Bottom, Joe Kernz, Carmen Travarca.



Just Conversation . . .

The Gallaudet College tradition is rife with legends. In this issue we pay tribute to a remarkable personality. Dr. Elizabeth Peet has, for years, been a living legend on and off the campus. In the classroom, in Fowler Hall, in the history-permeated college chapel, her air of fine breeding and strength of character have left an indelible impression upon all the young people who have come within her sphere of influence.

More than once, the brash twentiethcentury collegian has collided with Dean Peet's semi-Victorian strength and dignity. This collision, however violent at the time, is eventually appreciated and recalled with gratitude. The Green will scarcely seem the same without this erect and elegant little figure. It is fitting that Dean Peet, after a half-century of devotion to the college, should be allowed to retire and give her attention to the personal interests which have been set aside as long as the college has had need of her. Yet, she will be missed. We are proud to have the privilege of publishing the tribute so beautifully expressed by Virginia May Ward.

Dr. Powrie V. Doctor was instrumental in securing Miss Ward's address, and also the exceptionally fine photographs which accompany the "Peet Saga."

This issue also marks the initial appearance of foreign news gleaned by Paul Lange. This feature will reappear from time to time. Mr. Lange is also the source of interesting bits of information which appear elsewhere in the magazine. He informs us that Dr. Powrie V. Doctor spoke at Northwestern University, Chicago, on July 27 and 28. Boyce Williams, newly elected president of the Gallaudet College Alumni Association, will lecture at the same university in August. The more attention directed to the educational problems of the deaf, the better.

JohnADeLance, as he is known in these parts (he has long been one of the N.A.D.'s strongest supporters), sent us a handsome photograph. It does not appear in this issue, however. Depicted was a picturesque street in Nome—frontier store architecture and all. Upon reversing the print, we found a note indicating that Sheldon's Pharmacy (see page 3) was "just around the corner; see x in the margin." Sorry, we decided not to print it!

We tacked an extra decade to the married life of Harry G. Long, Omaha. The artist reminds us gently that in 1900 he was still a student at Gallaudet. His marriage took place in 1910, not in 1900 as reported in our pages.

Letters . . .

THE SILENT WORKER welcomes reader comment, but the editors reserve the right to edit letters to meet space requirements, and to reject such comment as may seem unfit for publication. Letters must bear writers' names and addresses.

Editor:

Chief disappointment in the new SILENT WORKER is the abbreviated number of pages. Some decry the emphasis on sports, some wonder at the religious side.

But keep up the work. Ford lost millions of dollars in his changeovers for years, until experience taught economics.

THEODORE C. MUELLER Minneapolis, Minn

Editor:

In your June, 1950, issue was an article by Charles N. Snyder entitled "Gallaudet Home for Aged Deaf."

May I call your attention to an inaccuracy? The information regarding "pensions" is erroneous.

There is no such thing in the United States as an old age *pension*. There is old age *assistance*, which in other words is old age *relief*.

It is too bad that so many people are under the impression that the old age relief is a pension. It helps to make anyone over 65 years of age feel entitled to it, no matter what.

I have worked with the deaf a number of years, although I am a hearing person. When I locate work for them to do, they are very fussy about how long, when, and where they will work. They demand large salaries. But they never seem to realize what patience it takes to cope with these demands.

Often they torment one. They never seem to realize we have nerves, and it seems the more noise they can make, the happier they are. For instance, it is disgusting at meals. They continually scrape the plates as though they want to eat the pattern on the china . . . thrown down their knives, forks and spoons . . . why is it they cannot lift their feet when walking? One employer told me recently that he would not have one around if they paid him \$50 a day!

When others are conversing, they insist on interrupting with a foolish or too inquisitive question . . . keep watching from one to another when people talk . . . very annoying, as they always assume one is taking about them. They seem to feel one must get on his knees to them because of their limited sensitivities . . . but they never, never ac-

knowledge the personal rights of the other fellow.

I realize that their mentality is retarded with the majority, but nevertheless you will find they are shrewd and foxy. . . .

The mute people should be given an idea how to live with others. . . .

James J. Powers New York, N. Y.

Editor:

I can name a landlord of a rooming apartment, a college graduate at that, who is so pleased with his deaf tenant that he says he is going to advertise for "Deaf People Only."

This brings to mind: why not get one or a number of people, those interested in the deaf or having deaf relatives, to

do the same?

They could take young or old, while waiting for homes for the aged deaf to materialize. This, we all know, is a long drawn out process. Those houses and rooming apartments would be subject to the same laws that govern other furnished dwellings, so would be comparatively safe.

NAME WITHHELD BY REQUEST New York, N. Y.

These two letters would seem to illustrate the differing points of view of hearing people who have come into contact with the deaf. We will withhold comment, hoping that our readers will have comments of their own to make.

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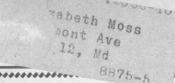
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